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Makers of the Flag

THEN came a great shout from The Flag:

"The work that we do is the making of the flag.

"I am not the flag; not at all. I am but its shadow.

"I am whatever you make me, nothing more.

"I am your belief in yourself, your dream of what a people may become.

"I live a changing life, a life of moods and passions, of heart breaks and tired muscles.

"Sometimes I am strong with pride, when men do an honest work, fitting the rails together truly.

"Sometimes I droop, for then purpose has gone from me, and cynically I play the coward.

"Sometimes I am loud, garish and full of that ego that blasts judgment.

"But always I am all that you hope to be and have the courage to try for.

"I am song and fear, struggle and panic, and ennobling hope.

"I am the day's work of the weakest man, and the largest dream of the most daring.

"I am the Constitution and the courts, statutes and the statute makers, soldier and dreadnaught, drayman and street sweep, cook, counsellor and clerk.

"I am the battle of yesterday, and the mistake of tomorrow.

"I am the mystery of the men who do without knowing why.

"I am the clutch of an idea, and the reasoned purpose of resolution.

"I am no more than what you believe me to be and I am all that you believe I can be.

"I am what you make me, nothing more.

"I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color, a symbol of yourself, the pictured suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation. My stars and my stripes are your dream and your labors. They are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts. For you are the makers of the flag and it is well that you glory in the making."

FRANKLIN K. LANE

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HAS THE COLLEGE FRATERNITY A PLACE IN A DEMOCRACY?

The growth of the democratic spirit incident to the colossal struggle to "make the world safe for democracy" has caused much searching of the heart among college men and women. As a result, the question is being asked whether the college fraternity with its secrecy, its exclusiveness, and its more or less self-centered attitude is compatible with the spirit of democracy. The fraternity is a highly selected group. It is composed usually of those who from the standpoint of social and economic advantages or of natural endowment are best equipped for leadership and service. The opponents of the fraternity contend that these powers which should be placed at the service of the community as a whole are selfishly monopolized in the interest of a small group. The charge is a serious one. It must be frankly confessed that in many instances it has a substantial basis of fact. It is one thing, however, to point out the abuses of the fraternity. It is quite another thing to claim that the college fraternity is fundamentally incompatible with the spirit of American democracy. This is the real issue.

We must bear in mind first that the college fraternity is in a sense natural and inevitable. It is the product of the instinctive tendency to form groups, especially powerful in young people just becoming aware of the social implications of life. Just as youngsters thrown upon the streets form "gangs," so students from the day of the University of Athens two thousand years ago have followed the impulse to form groups. The sheer fact of the fraternity group, therefore, is no evidence against it. The fraternity group is here to meet a real and natural human need. Where fraternities have been excluded by the college authorities student groups have nevertheless arisen. In some of our leading colleges these unregulated local student clubs have proven a far greater menace to democracy than the institutionalized national organizations. This inevitable organization into groups is really the result of the demands of the moral economy. Character is formed through group contacts. Youth especially demands the training provided by group life. Social reformers are coming to recognize that the key to their problems is found in the psychology of the group, in the nature of the social discipline it provides for the training of character and the preparation for social service.

The problem of the college fraternity then is not a matter of the existence or the non-existence of student groups. These we shall always have. It is a question as to the type of character encouraged by the fraternity group. Is the moral atmosphere of the fraternity

in harmony with the spirit of democracy? This is the ultimate question.

The indictments against the fraternity can be narrowed down to one, namely, that it violates the fundamental democratic principle of equality. Out of this grow the snobbishness and exclusiveness so inimical to the spirit of human brotherhood and to that rational and sympathetic likemindedness without which true democracy is impossible. When the college fraternity arbitrarily selects from an incoming freshman class certain individuals who happen to have social position, wealth, or personal attractions, assets which are the gifts of fortune rather than their personal achievements, the healthful democratic sentiment of the college and the community is at once challenged. On the face of things this seems a violation of the spirit and intent of democracy. It is inevitable, therefore, that the highly intelligent and morally sensitive college community should demand of the fraternity by what right it makes these distinctions. Does it propose to capitalize the wealth or superior social and intellectual capacities of those thus selected and make use of them in the furthering of narrow and selfish group interests? The question is a pertinent one, and the college community and society have a perfect right to ask it.

To this question the fraternity man may reply that in ordinary life men and women are constantly being selected for membership in organizations of a fraternal, economic, professional or social nature. If there is any violation of the democratic principle of equality it is no worse in college than elsewhere. The parallel, however, is hardly justifiable. For the college group occupies a unique position in the community. It moves at a much loftier moral level than that of business. For it is not run on a profit basis. It is supported by public revenues or private philanthropy. Its students often hold scholarships. They are given these years of study to fit themselves for the service of society. The college group, therefore, both students and professors, are doubly responsible to the community. They more than any other members of society must cherish a high and holy regard for the principles of civic righteousness. The college life should be an epitome of the purest ideals of democracy. Here if anywhere the maxim should hold "a man's a man for a' that."

If we are to find justification for the fraternity, therefore, it must be on other and higher grounds. Equality, we are now coming to recognize, is not an absolute principle nor is it a goal of democracy. Nature has seen to it that there should be diversity of gifts; no amount of training can ever place the dullard in the class with the genius. Furthermore we realize that inequality as well as equality is one of the conditions of social progress. That most progressive social orders from the days of Pericles to the present have been those where we have had a happy combination of natural with social selection so that those gifted for leadership in art, science, politics or business should be enabled to utilize their gifts to the utmost in the service of men. For this reason, therefore, equality of opportunity or at least equality of social consideration is felt to be the best instrument democracy has yet

been able to devise for assuring social justice. Not a cheap and vulgar "egalitarianism" is the end of democracy but a progressive and enlightened social order in which the principle of equality is made use of for the justification of ultimate and necessary and inevitable inequalities.

It would seem then that the fraternity must submit to the same test by which all forms of discrimination must justify themselves in a democracy. It must justify its violation of the principle of equality on the ground that this is in the interest of a larger and richer life for the individuals concerned and for the community of which they are members. When all the members of the freshman class are given equal opportunity for advancement in the way of scholarships or college honors, it is not felt that these discriminations violate the spirit of democracy although they do introduce striking inequalities into the college life. The fraternity must measure up to the same high standard of democratic excellence if it wishes to satisfy the moral demands of the community. When the members of the college community see that the fraternity man or woman does not waste the opportunities afforded by more intimate and helpful social relations but makes them instruments for the expansion of personal capacity and for the enrichment of the social and intellectual life of the college as a whole, the voice of the critic will be stilled. The fraternity will then become not an end in itself but merely an instrument for the attainment of the far nobler ends of scholarship, service, and democracy.

Where the fraternity lives for the community, subordinating immediate group interests to the common good, it will not be hard to cultivate that sympathetic and intelligent likemindedness that is the very heart and soul of democracy. The intimate and more personal ties of the fraternity group will then serve as effective instruments for making the individual more keenly aware of his larger loyalties. Just as a man learns to love and serve the community through his love for his own home, so college men are taught to love their Alma Mater and their fellow-men through the fraternity. The fraternity member especially, by virtue of the very fact of his many privileges and advantages and the responsibilities they bring, needs to keep ever in mind the principle that animates all true democracy and forms the very essence of the moral and spiritual order itself, "He that findeth his life shall lose it; he that loseth his life shall find it." It is only through constant loyalty to this spirit that we can ever hope to make the fraternity safe for democracy.

John M. Mecklin

THE FARTHEST EAST FOUNDERS'-DAY FETE

On Founders'-day, by way of celebration, Mary Snodgrass Webster (Mrs C. R.) Beta '07, entertained at dinner in Lahore, India, Mildred Jones Miller (Mrs Alvah), Alpha and Tau, and Mrs Wier, Epsilon.

WHERE, OH WHERE, ARE WE GOING?

The old spring-fret comes o'er us and we fain would away to the woods, but duty calls us to stick to the job until vacation time. To be free from duty—the original meaning of vacation—is a happy experience unknown to any of us now for several years. From every angle we all have earned a vacation—a period free from duty. From every motive of health insurance, world sanity, future duty wisely done, we all should have a vacation—a period free from duty.

A party is the first thought when we plan a good time. To multiply the good time we plan a house-party. For 998 out of every 1000 Thetas the house-party is planned already. All they have to do is to spend July 3-7 in St. Louis where will be staged a great house-party in honor of Theta's birthday. (Work all done by the two in each 1000 of Thetas.) To be sure it is a few months ahead of the actual birthday itself, but you know the small boy always says "I'm going on ten" the minute his ninth birthday is past; and, rare in the phenomenon of womanhood, Theta is proud of her increasing years—yea, proud to be in her fiftieth year, to be about to celebrate her semi-centennial.

St. Louis then is our vacation Mecca, where on the high bluffs of Washington university's campus, we will vacation-ate for five days in honor of Kappa Alpha Theta. While these will be vacation days—days free from usual duty—for us, they will not be idle days (nor nights either, if some one doesn't call "Halt" pretty soon to the procession of delightful plans and invitations that are being showered upon Theta by the city of St. Louis and by our hostesses).

Hostesses, did you say? Who're they?

District V.

Who's District V?

Weren't you at Charlevoix? Don't you know the gang that at every Theta convention goes to bed as the maids start the morning sweeping, and yet gets to breakfast before any one else, for fear they'll miss something? If you don't know them, it's high time you did. They're from "Kansas and Nebraska, and Missouri if they ask ya," with South Dakota and Colorado too for good measure.

Perhaps you've never been to a Theta convention, so visualize it as a replica of some conventions you've seen—a mob of queer people, fluttering banners, hot crowded halls, tedious speeches, heated discussions of resolutions one to twenty-three, an exhausting strenuous time all work and no fun. Well the resemblance of that vision to a Theta convention is about as great as the resemblance of a brass band to a kewpie.

This Theta convention (whisper it every where) isn't going to spend our precious vacation amending phrase 76, in clause X, of section 19, in article VIII; IT'S GOING TO CELEBRATE THETA'S BIRTHDAY, BE A REAL THETA HOUSE-PARTY. There will be interesting bits

of history framed before your eyes in pageant and ceremony; there will be demonstrations of Theta doings today; the crystal ball of the future will be read through masque and imagery. But we mustn't give away any secrets, so you'll just have to come and see what will materialize under such tantalizing titles.

The spring time circus always travels with at least one attraction famed as "the only one in the world." Well, this is the one and only time in the world when Kappa Alpha Theta can be fifty years old—it's the only Jubilee of hers you'll ever be able to attend. Can you afford to miss it?

No, no, no, say all those whose experience of other Theta conventions, whose inside knowledge of the plans for this house-party, give weight and value to their views. To prove their faith in their "NO," their "Feet are turning

To the camp of proved desire and known delight."

Come ye, also! where "the Tour-way Lodge is opened"—where "the Smokes of Council rise."

RAILROAD ARRANGEMENTS

We cannot have a special train this year for two reasons. One is that St. Louis is so centrally located. The other is that the United States railroad administration doesn't care to dally with such non-essentials and we are doing well to have Pullman cars attached to regular trains, designated as "Theta Cars." But all these cars will eventually reach St. Louis just as in the golden past our Special trains de luxe arrived at *their* destination. And oh, what a grand and glorious occasion when we finally swamp the little Delmar avenue station, on Thursday morning, July 3, and climb the steps to Washington university.

VIA WABASH

The official railroad for the use of conventionites is the Wabash. It is chosen because all coming from the north and west may leave their cars at the Delmar avenue station, which is only a block from Washington university. It is unfortunate that changing conditions under the United States railroad administration prevent my giving you the definite train numbers and time tables at this time, but in every case a train reaching St. Louis early Thursday morning will be chosen, and you will be notified of its number and time schedule by the agent who makes your Pullman reservations.

Through Theta cars will be operated from the following cities:

Seattle, via Union Pacific. Reservations by C. H. Dexter, Gen'l agent. Fare \$13.50

Portland, via O. W. R. R. Reservations by Wm. McMurray, G. P. A. Fare \$13.50

San Francisco, via So. Pac. Reservations by C. S. Fee, Pass. Trf. Mgr. Fare \$13.50

Los Angeles, via Santa Fe. Reservations by E. W. McGee, Consolidated ticket office, 221 S. Broadway. Fare \$13.50

Denver, via Union Pacific. Reservations by W. K. Cundriff, G. P. A. Fare \$5.94

New York City, via D. L. & W. R. R. Reservations by J. L. Homer, Eastern P. A. 90 West st. Fare \$6.48

Minneapolis, via M. & St. L. Reservations by A. B. Cutts, G. P. A. Fare \$3.24

Omaha, via Wabash R. R. Reservations by H. C. Shields, G. P. A. Fare \$2.70

Buffalo, via Wabash R. R. Reservations by J. Maloney, D. P. A. Fare \$4.32

Chicago, via Wabash R. R. Reservations by H. L. Purdy, D. P. A. Fare \$2.16

Detroit, via Wabash R. R. Reservations by A. F. Wolfschlager, D. P. A. Fare \$2.70

Kansas city, via Wabash R. R. Reservations by J. J. Shine, D. P. A. Fare \$2.16

Toledo, via Wabash R. R. Reservations by C. H. Lorenz, D. P. A. Fare \$2.70

Reservations may be made from any point between these points and St. Louis. The reserving agent will furnish the rates. Those quoted include war tax. (Prices quoted are for lower berths)

TO THOSE UNABLE TO USE THE WABASH

The recommended train for visitors from Columbus and Indianapolis is Pennsylvania train No. 135, leaving Columbus at 5 p. m. and Indianapolis at 11:30 p. m. (sleepers ready at 9 p. m.) and arriving at St. Louis at 7:36 a. m. The Pullman fare from Columbus is \$2.50 and from Indianapolis \$2.00, war tax 8% additional.

Reservations for this train in cars reserved for Thetas may be made by L. B. Freeman, Asst. G. P. A. Pennsylvania lines, Columbus, and by J. C. Millspaugh, Asst. G. P. A. Pennsylvania lines, Indianapolis.

It is suggested that Cleveland people use this train from Columbus and that Cincinnati girls join it at Indianapolis.

Visitors from Pittsburgh and vicinity are recommended to use Pennsylvania No. 113, leaving Pittsburgh at 5 p. m. and arriving at St. Louis at 8:30 a. m. Pullman fare is \$3.50, war tax 8% additional. Reservations for this train made by F. W. Conner, Asst. G. P. A. Pennsylvania lines, Pittsburgh.

All berth quotations are for lower berths.

BAGGAGE

Agents making Pullman reservations will supply you with baggage tags similar to those we have used before. Be sure to request these

"Kappa Alpha Theta tags" when writing for berths. Write your name and room number (as received from the St. Louis alumnae chairman) plainly on a tag, attach to baggage and check at least one day ahead of your own departure. (These directions do not apply to hand baggage. If you have no trunk to check, so much the easier for you.)

Be sure to check to the Delmar avenue station, if you are able to come in via Wabash. Efae Brown and her baggage rustlers in St. Louis will have your trunk in your room when you reach Washington university, if you follow these directions.

Folks, coming via the Pennsylvania may also obtain tags from their reserving agents, but check their trunks to the Union station.

Martha Cline Huffman

KAPPA ALPHA THETA HOTEL

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Washington University Plaza

Management—District V

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A HOTEL FOR THETAS, BY THETAS, OF THETAS.

DON'T FORGET THE OPENING DATE—JULY 3, 1919.

After the most careful and thoughtful planning with the aid of artists in every branch of service for conventionites, the management of the Kappa Alpha Theta hotel is ready to open books for reservations beginning July 3.

For your summer vacation, no more ideally situated or restful atmosphere could be found. In structure, three separate buildings, three stories high, with single, double or rooms in suites—every room an outside room, overlooking beautiful spacious grounds. Tennis courts are on the grounds, golf facilities at the door and swimming,—not in the Mississippi—at your service. !! Come prepared!!—

THETA HOTEL SERVICE

Theta service is extra good hotel service, worked out on the theory that "the guest is always right."

It depends on the practice of courtesy, consideration and convenience for its success; your slightest wish is its greatest concern.

The hotel desk and the Information booth will combine to give all information concerning the city, transportation, railway service, shopping and bargains. The Theta clerk by day, the Theta clerk by night

shall tend this Theta hotel. Bell Hops of the clan of Alpha Iota, Bootblacks from Alpha Rho, Newsboys from Rho and Laundry men from Beta Gamma will make your stay a pleasant one. Pressing work will be under the management of Alpha Mu, whose quick and efficient service will give perfect satisfaction. Kappa clansmen will cater to the needs and whims of feminine frivolity and carry a complete line of powders, creams, notions, stationery etc. Shampooing and manicuring will be done at a moments notice on the grounds. Writing rooms will furnish the quiet and ink necessary for the daily billet-deux. A play ground Nursery will give rest and free time to busy mothers. Plenty of bath and shower accommodations will dispel the dread of the hot sun's rays, while the hands of Alpha Iota venders will quench the thirst and satisfy the sweet tooth with cold drinks and chocolates.

DINING ROOM SERVICE

A caterer will have full charge of the feeding of the multitude, table d'hote service, and menu to satisfy the most fastidious have been arranged. Luncheons may be spread under the arch of trees lining the board walk—if weather permits—breakfasts and dinners served in the spacious commons, followed by dancing. Helen Ette, Alpha Iota, music.

This is the first time we have ever tried to run a hotel. We're on duty to make you comfortable. Don't hesitate to ask for what you want.

All mail and requests for reservations should be made out to Kappa Alpha Theta Hotel—McMillan Hall—Washington University—St. Louis. Reservations should be made by June 20.

Marie Davis

AT THE SIGN OF THE KITTY-CAT

Convention brings to mind crowded hours of business and pleasure in gay confusion, clever stunts performed by the liveliest of the delegates, and a general round of fun and entertainment. A composite picture of those attending these festivities would result in a bright eyed, keen witted undergraduate, alive to her finger tips with joy and interest.

St. Louis alumnae believes the actives should have all the fun and jollity going, but there is another group of Thetas, whose very lack of such carefree pleasures make them doubly appreciative of the opportunities of convention. Here's to them—the T. B. M!

The tired business man gets a lot of sympathy—but not from us. We reserve ours for the Tired Bothered Mother! Determined that she shall enjoy the convention, undisturbed by requests for "jinks of water," and doleful outbursts of "I wanna go home *now*" we have planned the Sign of the Kitty-Cat.

A really truly playground for the children with slides, swings, victrola, sand pile and all the rest of it so dear to their little hearts—Here, while mother, across the campus and out of ear shot, lives again in the carefree atmosphere of her college days, Richard, Jane, Martin, Susan, Peter and any others deposited therein, can play and squabble to their hearts' content, carefully tended by charming nursery maids who will bring to the task the inexperienced (!) enthusiasm of their fresh young lives. No need for the T. B. M.'s to worry—their offspring will be only too well taken care of, will, in all probability, be so showered with attentions and caresses by their young Theta aunts-by-proxy that aforesaid Richard, Jane, Martin, etc. will be unbearable for days to come. But why shirk a week of disciplining, with a joyous convention week preceding it?

Unless the best laid plans of mice and men—and Kats go astray, the playground will be open from nine to five—milks will be kept on ice and those who have graduated into other foods can bring their lunches, and what child can resist a picnic!

The section between the men's dormitory and the chapel has been selected as being a shady spot, yet easy of access to the dormitory should the heavens open and the rain descend.

So T. B. M. don't stay away from convention because of Johnny and his sister Sue. Come early, dump them at the Sign of the Kitty-Cat and then dismiss them from your mind. Enjoy every minute of the day, banish all care and responsibility, but *please*, PLEASE, PLEASE don't forget to call for them at five P. M!

CONVENTION DAILY KITE

Each day of convention the *Kite* will fly. Five ascensions, five mornings, for those who wish to view convention's progress in a complete and comprehensive manner. This will be the fifth biennial appearance of Theta's little daily newspaper, which will carry full reports of the work and play transacted at St. Louis during those busy July days. Plans now being completed for the publication of the *Kite* promise it will be one of the interesting contributions to the joys of the season.

Of course everybody wants a complete set of these papers. The price will be 25 cents. Subscriptions are now being received at 529 N. Clay av. Kirkwood, Mo. by Lulu P. Turner. Send your name and address, with one perfectly good quarter, to the aforementioned, and receive your set of five convention *Kites* when the time comes.

The youngest freshman of each college chapter, and the most dignified member of each alumnae chapter, is hereby appointed a committee of one to secure subscriptions for the *Kite*. Three prizes are offered for the three longest lists of names, accompanied by twenty-five cents. The first prize will be one of the large official photo-

graphs of convention which will be taken during the session. The second and third prizes will be souvenir pins such as the official delegates receive.

Send your lists to the subscription manager, Miss Lulu P. Turner, not later than June 25.

"Meet me in St Lou Thetas,
Convention will be there.
Don't tell us that the heat is raging
Anywhere but there.
Don't bring your warming pans,
We all use electric fans.
So meet me in St Lou Thetas,
All you K A Θ's be there."

WHEN CONVENTION PLAYS

As for entertainment there will be enough to keep you happy. Bring your golf sticks and tennis rackets—we shall have permits to use the Municipal courts and golf links in Forest park. Two swimming pools are within twenty minutes ride—all in the open air—we shall charter one for our party—bring your bathing suit or rent one here.

The official entertainment committee has tentative plans for a boat charter for a moonlight excursion on the Mississippi—without a moon however—but husbands, brothers, sweethearts and sons may come and that will compensate.

The Convention bureau of St. Louis promises automobiles for a tour through our stately city. They will reserve us a section in our Municipal theater for the open air grand opera.

We shall have a picnic in the English gardens of Washington university.

How can you miss convention this time with all these things to look forward to ? ? ?

THEY SAY

Convention dates are July 3-7; convention city is St. Louis; convention hotel, is Theta hotel, McMillan hall, Washington university, St. Louis, Mo. Convention hostess is District V.

The Executive committee for convention, which, for convenience sake is composed of "local talent" among St. Louis Thetas, is earnestly and it is to be hoped efficiently working to make District V a successful hostess to Kappa Alpha Theta.

The tentative program for the five days of convention sounds full of interest to us all: the proposed "Hotel" on the campus of Washington

university, under the management of our former District president, promises privacy and comfort ;—everything except perhaps the chill of the Arctic Regions!

What the Thetas in District V, and particularly the local Thetas, would like to emphasize, is their joy in the prospect of welcoming and entertaining all visiting sisters, whose name should be legion at this post-war meeting on the banks of the Mississippi.

Bring your bathing suits, your tennis and golf things, your love of fun, your hope in Theta!

Elinor Hall Horner, Chairman, Executive committee.

Everyone going to convention, delegates and visitors alike, must write to Theta hotel (address above) for their reservations. In making reservations give the name of everyone in your party, and indicate room mate preferences, or demands for single rooms. If you can tell so far ahead, state railroad, number of train, and time of arrival in St. Louis. Reservations should be made by June 20, if possible. Your request for reservations will be acknowledged by postal showing just what your room will be, so be sure to give your address in writing for rooms.

Food prices are astride the fence, and whether they will climb up or down is yet a question, so we can not at this date quote you Theta hotel prices. If possible, you will find the same inserted in this issue somewhere at the last minute. Anyway you can trust the figures of the coupon book to be maximum.

Don't forget to subscribe ahead for your *Daily Kite*, the edition will be limited. Editor-in-chief, Mrs. Estelle Riddle Dodge, assistant editor, Geraldine Cullom, business manager, Lulu P. Turner. Reporters have not yet won their jobs. Send subscriptions to the business manager, 529 Clay av. Kirkwood, Mo. Twenty-five cents for five issues, postage prepaid.

Convention program is to be largely a secret until July, but here are some facts. There will be a business session every morning, except the first morning ; the first day the opening session will be in the afternoon. July 4 there will be round tables and conferences in the afternoon. July 7 there will be a closing session in the afternoon. Every evening, and most every afternoon there will be things doing in the way of celebration and fun. The convention banquet will be on the evening of July 7. Sunday will be a day of rest except for the Memorial vespers in the late afternoon and the ritualistic evening.

The coupon book system will be used to cover all costs of convention. When you register at the Theta hotel, you will also purchase your coupon book, which will cover every expense you need incur in

St. Louis, baggage, hotel bills, banquet tickets, and all the other events that are Dutch treat affairs at our conventions. The maximum price of a coupon book will be \$25.00—they will be sold for as much less as final contracts with caterers, etc. make possible. (Present figures for hotel rates are \$3.50 per day, American plan.) Coupon books for official delegates will cost the difference between \$25.00 and the part of delegate's expenses met by the fraternity.

Convention committees: Executive committee—St. Louis alumnae has selected to represent it, Mrs Paul Neff, Efae Brown, Marie Davis, Mrs Louis Gustafson, Mrs T. W. Van Schoiack, Mrs Leland Chivvis, Mrs W. W. Horner, chairman.

Music—Alpha Mu

Picnic—St. Louis and Kansas city alumnae

Convention picture—Alpha Iota

Stunt night—Alpha Upsilon and Topeka alumnae

Ritual night—Kappa and Beta Gamma

Banquet plans—Rho, Lincoln and Omaha alumnae

Exhibit—Grand vice president and Alpha Rho

Memorial vespers—St. Louis alumnae

Dinner seating plans—Alpha Rho

Officers' club—Alpha Iota

Final session—Kansas city alumnae.

Kite—Mrs C. C. Dodge, Geraldine Cullom

Stunt night is to be some event at this convention, so be sure you don't miss it. The Stunt party is always a thank offering for the Scholarship fund, this time let's make it a Birthday party for the Scholarship fund—everyone bring as many pennies as she acknowledges birthdays in 1919. How about it?

During the first day of convention there will be Thetas on duty at the Union station in order to guide the puzzled travelers to Theta convention. If you miss the committee, the Mullanphy travelers aid, which has a booth in the station, will have all necessary information about cars, etc. Just ask them for directions for reaching the Hotel Theta at Washington university.

Competitions for the *Daily Kite* staff are now on. If you'd like a job on that paper, make application by May 10 to Geraldine Cullom, 5757 Bartmer av. St. Louis, Mo.

Be sure you read about the Kitty-Cat in this issue. If you've kiddies now's the time for them to get the habit of coming to Theta conventions. If you've an idea you'd be an expert play ground manager, now here is a chance to get experience.

This is Theta's semi-centennial and so convention will have three view points—to review the past, to take an invoice of the present, to plan for the future. Suggestions in keeping with this plan will be welcome. Also suggestions for a slogan for this Jubilee convention. Send your inspirations to the Editor.

Delegates don't you think it would be nice to compile a stunt magazine of convention, and send it Round robin to your chapters afterwards? Well, come prepared to get up such a magazine and you'll find lots of things in St. Louis to put into the budget. We'll even keep an extra file of programs for your use in such a laudable enterprise.

BAGGAGE NOTICE

Since the original baggage notices went to press the following change in procedure has been decided on: Follow carefully:

Check baggage to St. Louis (Union station) rather than Delmar station. Girls arriving on Wabash and getting off at Delmar take checks with them and turn in at the baggage booth in McMillan hall. Those coming on other roads and arriving in Union station, leave checks with Saint Louis Transfer Co. at the station. Mark on back with name and room as before directed. Your baggage will have been already delivered. These directions are for a speedy checking up.

OFFICIAL CONVENTION

FRATERNITY OFFICERS

Grand president—Mrs Hope Davis Mecklin, Alpha Epsilon and Pittsburgh alumnae

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President District VIII—Mrs Ethel Maude Smith Lowry, Alpha Omicron

President District IX—Mrs Vern Gaddis Jinnett, Alpha Sigma

COLLEGE CHAPTERS

Alpha:

Beta: Our delegate, Louise Wills, junior, has especially the prerequisites of an ideal delegate—poise, personality, and executive ability. In appearance she is a tall slender girl with fair hair, brown eyes, and a pleasing, winning smile. In manner she is extremely charming and likable, in fact she has that indefinable something that makes a so-called "lasting impression."

Gamma: Frances Weaver is a sophomore whose quiet sincerity, brilliant record as a student, and willingness to help others, have made her many friends in college. We know she will represent Gamma at its best.

Delta: Margaret Petritz, or "Marg" as she is known in the house, is full of enthusiasm and she is very original. She is liked both by men and girls and is known as a good mixer. She has large brown eyes, dark hair, a winning smile, and a most contagious laugh. She plays the piano well and has such pep that she is bound to make known the chapter she represents.

Eta: Alice Comlossy, sophomore, is our delegate. Her stature, medium (five feet five-and-a-half she claims), eyes grey, hair brown, fresh coloring, and a hearty laugh. As Eta's stewardess, and in campus activities, Alice has proved herself earnest, systematic, and capable.

Iota: Louise M. Roux:

Kappa: She is a small thin dark girl of erect stature and demure demeanor. In her oval face, banded by coils of close-clinging black hair, dark brown eyes sparkle. Aye, it is the twinkle in those eyes and the tiny dimple at one corner of the straight little mouth that tell you she is not the dignified rather unapproachable person that she looks, but is, underneath the calm exterior, full of fun and friendliness. I'm sure you shall all love to meet our "Betty" (Elizabeth) Samuel.

Lambda: Nellie Swasey '20 is capable to her very finger-tips. Even our refractory budget system seems destined to come into running order in spite of itself under her supervision. She is quite indispensable where spreads are in the making, and her quizzical smile and typical Yankee drawl have saved a good many desperate situations. Her coolness and ability are alike the delight and despair of the rest of us.

Mu: Our delegate is Susan Jenkins '20. She is interested in every phase of college and fraternity life. She is a girl who can take charge

and put the thing over. We know that she will bring back from convention much that will be helpful to us.

Omicron: Virginia Smith has a Theta lineage one might say, for her Mother is a Theta, too. We can describe Virginia in one word—she is a queen, dignified and beautiful as a queen should be. She makes decisions slowly and deliberately but when they are made they are sure to be fair and quite as unalterable as the laws of the Medes and Persians.

Rho: Alice C. Temple

Sigma: Elizabeth MacLennan

Tau: Phyllis Bartelme is the truest sort of a Theta. She lives in Chicago and daily makes the trip between her home and Evanston, so when she does arrive we all marvel how she has any time at all to be such a friend as she is to each of us. She is the Liberal arts editor of this year's *Syllabus* and secretary of Women's league and also of the Campus players. Last year she made the hockey team, the basketball team, and the baseball team. Within the chapter she has done much to help us and lead us.

Upsilon: Margery McCulloch

Phi: Ellen Calhoun is one of the most prominent women on the campus, being on the editorial staff of the college daily, member of the Student council, associated press agent for all Stanford affairs, and annual member of Young Women's Christian association. Ellen is tall and slender, a decided blonde.

Chi: Mary W. Everett

Psi: Dorothy Dixon Dennet will charm you, even as she charmed us, the first time you meet her. You will know her by her fair skin, beautiful light hair, blue eyes, melodious voice, and perfect poise. Beside musical talent, being a junior in the music school, she has dramatic ability and can plan stunts which are not only clever, but also artistic.

Omega: Katherine Amelia Towle

Alpha Beta: Mary Campbell is an attractive, wide awake junior from Hopkinsville, Kentucky. She has straight black hair, and dark eyes. She talks very fast and quite fluently with a true Southern accent. If there is anything you want to know about our chapter or Swarthmore college, ask Mary, she will know.

Alpha Gamma: Audrey Smith

Alpha Delta: Jean Merriken

Alpha Eta: Louise Benedict '20, a most representative member of our chapter, is of medium height, rather slender, with dark hair and eyes. By popular vote of the college she was declared the prettiest and most attractive girl in Vanderbilt.

Alpha Theta: Margaret Robertson

Alpha Iota: Margery E. Finnigan

Alpha Kappa: Olive Brooks has been a member of Theta for three years and during that time has been a faithful, conscientious worker.

She is small, pretty, blue-eyed, blonde, with a very quiet, dignified manner and has an air of confident capacity.

Alpha Lambda: Elizabeth MacLean is a junior, prominent on the campus as a member of the dramatic club and the newly elected vice-president of the Young Women's Christian association. She is chapter president, also, which shows what we think of her. As a freshman her name was engraved on the freshman scholarship cup, for the highest year's average. Bub (for that is her real name to us) is medium height with fair complexion and inclined to be stout. She wears her hair in braids about her head, and is very wholesome looking.

Alpha Mu: Ellen Peters '20. The genuine friendliness of her disposition is manifested in her ever-ready smile—a smile that is not easily forgotten. She has large dark eyes and brown hair, which she dresses with puffs over the ears. "Pete" is about five feet three and weighs 130 pounds.

Alpha Nu: Winifred Meeks

Alpha Xi: Theadora Stockembock is of medium height with dark eyes and a clear olive complexion which is very attractive. Well there is more to Theadora than mere good looks. There are two things which she always wears—heavy waving blue black hair and a smile that would entice an answering grin from the blackest old pessimists. When looking for Theadora look for a smile.

Alpha Omicron: Mary Mattison

Alpha Pi: Marion Robinson

Alpha Rho: Marie Leavitt:

Alpha Sigma:

Alpha Tau: We take great pleasure in introducing our delegate, Esther Sechrist. Esther's slender person does not indicate the size of her brain and heart, but we feel certain that when you have seen her bright brown eyes and heard her voice you will understand exactly why we chose her as our delegate.

Alpha Upsilon: Ladies—allow me to present to you tonight our convention delegate, Mary Paxton. Mary has been twice blessed, she has both brains and beauty. You'll like Mary—Why?—because she's a democratic, live, spirited Theta.

Alpha Phi: Marion Brown. "Brownie" is a demure little creature with a sweet-sixteen look on her face. To continue the picture of a very effeminate young person: she has curly brown hair, chestnut colored some one said in a fit of poetic feeling; large blue eyes which she fixes on you as she says, "Let me tell you, child"; a white skin and a sort of Cupid's bow mouth. This sounds like a rather enthusiastic description, but the trouble is that Brownie is really pretty. Ever now and then she puts on a pair of eye glasses and then you know that serious business is to follow. But she is serious even without the glasses; she goes to all chapter meetings and is enthusiastic about her own fraternity and interested in others. Some how we feel that Brownie will be as good a delegate as she will be a chapter president.

Alpha Chi: Catherine Overly is our conception of an ideal Theta—democratic, a good student, interested in college activities, with a pleasing personality, and a tendency to make friends. She is president of Purdue Young Women's Christian association, a member of Phileathean, and of Purdue Girls' Club.

Alpha Psi: Our delegate, Evelyn Jensen '21 is an attractive, fine appearing girl, popular, democratic and has well informed opinions which she is able to express clearly. She spares no effort to promote the welfare of the chapter and make it a vital factor in Lawrence college.

Alpha Omega: Meta Ebeling '20 has been very active in all university affairs, and also worked on every Liberty loan and war relief campaign in the University of Pittsburgh. Her personality is stunning and she is whole-heartedly enthusiastic.

Beta Beta: Could ever a girl be in a more hopeless predicament than that of introducing herself? I can only say with a great deal of pride that I, Eunice Wilson, have been chosen to be Beta Beta's delegate. I have lived most of my life in the Philippines, but have been at Randolph-Macon for three years trying harder each year to be what I believe a Theta should be. As to my appearance, I am tall, and I must say willowy, with brown hair and eyes, but as for the rest you must judge for yourself. I only know I can hardly wait for July and the convention.

Beta Gamma: Do you see that tall, fair-haired girl with the pretty blue eyes, standing over there? She is the first Beta Gamma delegate to a Kappa Alpha Theta convention. We are glad to introduce Margaret Galbraith, sophomore. She is anticipating with much pleasure her experiences at convention and we are all eagerly awaiting the time when we can hear all about it from our first delegate.

Beta Delta: Introducing Dorothy Heighton. Dorothy has ever made Beta Delta proud of her. When *Face front*, one of the most popular musical comedies ever given at the university, was presented in the fall of 1917, weren't we happy to say that Dorothy wrote the music for it? And when some one comes up to us with a *Wildcat*, our college paper, and says "Have you read this clever article," we read it and know Dorothy wrote it. It is not because Dorothy is talented that we love her, but we love her for her own self and we know all who meet her at convention will love her for the same reason.

Beta Epsilon: Hazel Strief

ALUMNÆ DELEGATES

Baltimore: Helen S. Frisch

Boston: Marie Boisen Bradley (Mrs Morton C.) is an initiate of Beta chapter, to which her Mother also belonged. Mrs Bradley graduated from Indiana university in 1900 and is a charter member of Boston alumnæ. She has just retired from the secretaryship of the Service board.

Burlington: Irene A. Barrett

Chicago: Catherine Planck Kircher (Mrs Paul)

Cincinnati: Madolin Serodino

Cleveland: Margaret Howard Hawkins (Mrs P. E.) is a graduate of Ohio state university, 1914, where she was initiated by Alpha Gamma chapter. She is the treasurer of our chapter and you will find her a most charming lady.

Columbus: Frances Landacre

Detroit: Mrs Maud Hallenbeck Perine

Evanston:

Indianapolis: Mrs Walter Krull

Kansas City:

Lincoln: Mrs J. H. Avery

Los Angeles:

Madison:

New York:

Norman-Oklahoma city: Grace Williams

Omaha: Rachel Metcalfe graduated in 1918 from Washington university. She was Alpha Iota's freshman delegate at Gearhart. This year she has just doubled the interest in convention in our alumnæ chapter, because she knows what a convention means and also knows convention headquarters, having lived four years in McMillan hall.

Philadelphia: Anna B. Griscom

Pittsburgh: Mrs Hazel Keffer Peden, Alpha Omega

Portland: Margaret Hawkins

Providence: Laura Richards Sherman graduated from Brown in 1906, being a classmate and close friend of our Grand president. She is a teacher of Latin and English in the Classical high school of Providence. She is vice-president of the Brown alumnæ association, in whose work she has always been active. For the last two years she has done various forms of Red Cross work.

Pullman:

St. Louis: Efafe Brown, Alpha Mu

San Francisco:

Seattle:

Spokane:

Syracuse: Mrs Laura Cowan Wilson

Tacoma:

Topeka: When our chapter has a responsibility which it wants to put upon some capable shoulders someone is pretty sure to pipe up "Well I think Ruth Kaster would do that awfully well." And she does, too! She is keenly interested, and well posted, in Theta affairs, as you will know when you realize that in addition to studying law, and music, doing Red Cross work and a few other things, she has found time this winter to pilot the freshmen of Alpha Upsilon through their pre-initiation period, and, as State chairman, to send out reams

of letters to Kansas Thetas. Beside all this she is a splendid, jolly girl and you're all going to be happy to know her.

Toronto: Elsinore Macpherson

Twin Cities:

Washington: Mrs Glen Levin Swiggett, Beta, our chapter president, will be our delegate too. She will take to convention a full knowledge of conditions here, a warm interest in all of convention, and a personality so pleasing that all who come in contact will love her. She and her husband are connected with the Bureau of American republics, and Mrs. Swiggett, is executive secretary for the women's section of the Pan-American congress. At this writing she is in the convention city, St. Louis, as Washington delegate to the A. C. A. convention.

(We had planned to include a list of probable visitors to convention here, but the list is so long, and space so limited that you will have to wait till convention to meet them. When I tell you that there were 18 names on Delta's list, 13 on Alpha Tau's, 18 on Beta's, and 22 on Tau's, not one of which is within the District entertaining, you will have some suggestion of the probable size of convention—from not a single chapter did less than three visitors appear as assured as early as April 1, and many more will join the crowd later, we know.)

"Come to convention from East and West
North and South and all the rest,
First give the whistle and then give the grip,
And you'll never be sorry that you made this trip.

Young folks, old folks, everybody come
Join our fraternity and have a lot of fun.
Kindly check your husbands and your babies at the door
And you'll meet some Thetas that you never met before."

GET UP—GO FORTH AND SEEK YOUR ALUMNÆ FOR THE YEARS TO COME

Oh active girl, have you as yet had the painful experience of going back to visit the high school, which you left in a blaze of the glory of seniordom, gazed upon with awe by all the underclassmen? How did you enjoy your return visit? That little Smith girl (who you never thought did amount to much) had the leading part in the senior play; the Peters girl was in your proud place as president of the Girls' club, and acted as though there never had been a club or president worth mentioning until she took office. She seemed to have forgotten what a splendid executive you were last year. And there were only a few people whom you really knew, and less, alas, who knew you. The teachers of course seemed glad to see you and interested in your present life, but the great humming life of the school went on just as merrily

as before, and some said even better than in your day. And you felt like an insignificant log that had drifted into the backwater of a great stream, and you were really glad when you left the building, and resumed mentally your life in the college world of which you now are a part.

If you have had this rather painful but illuminating experience, you have a fairly good idea of how many a Theta alumna feels on returning to the campus or chapter house. In her day, she was queen of the May, or captain of the basket ball team, or chapter president, but no one remembers that now except herself.

She lives out in a little town in the middle of the state, where hers is the only fraternity pin in the locality, and all the neighbors asked her so often what lodge she belonged to that she finally stopped wearing her Theta pin. Her days are filled with house work, and the washing of small and very dirty faces; she does not have time to manicure any more; her conversational topics consist of whether it is Mary's or Peter's turn to have the velocipede, and apologies to Friend Husband when his favorite meat is overdone, because "Just then Eleanor put sand down Jack's back and dropped the cat in the water pail at apparently the same minute."

But when the banquet invitation came, Friend Husband said that she just must go; the girls would be so glad to see her, and she had not been away for so long; and he and the children could manage very well with the help of Mrs Johnson-by-the-day. She would love to go; and yet it was with some misgivings that she looked over the dress which she had had made in the city two years ago, and had not had occasion to wear since. She wondered if it would occur to any of her friends who lived in the town where the college was that she would come. Would Charlotte ask her to stay with her? Or Helen? But evidently they did not expect her, for no letter came, so rather reluctantly she kissed the kiddies all around and boarded the car on the afternoon of the banquet.

When she reached Smithville, the college town, it was not exactly exhilarating to "meet herself at the train" and wander solitary up to the hotel. She spent the hour or two before banquet in her room, and finally with considerable effort went down to where she could see an assemblage of women in evening dress. None of them looked familiar, but of course it was five years since she had been back. They looked at her as she made her way among them, and she saw that they had on Theta pins, but no one spoke to her. Finally, heaven be thanked! she caught sight of Louise, who greeted her ecstatically, and she began to feel at home.

But at the banquet table she was seated between an active girl (so fresh and sparkling that she felt like Lot's wife after her conversion into table salt) and some other Theta, she had no idea who. They all three felt friendly enough, but their efforts at conversation became

gradually more infrequent and painful as the feast wore on. There were a few girls of her time with whom she had a little visit afterwards, but no provisions were made for an alumnæ meeting or class reunions; and it was rather with a feeling of relief that she went to bed that night, and the next morning took the train for home. Of course she had finally met many of the active girls and younger alumnæ, and they had asked her to come up to the chapter house, and were very attractive and pleasant to meet. But she could not remember their names, and certainly did not feel like ambling alone up to the house to call.

Well put away your pocket handkerchiefs, girls, the pitiful tale is ended, and may be it never happened anyway. There are many self-reliant alumnæ to whom it never could happen, for they would walk up confident of their reception, introduce themselves, and have a dandy time. But many of us are gifted with an overlively imagination, and this is just the experience which we think we should have, when that banquet invitation comes to us at Potato Center. And it is the reason more of us don't come.

The solution? Easy. When you give your next reunion banquet, ask the alumnæ who live in town to appoint two or more of their best to act on a joint committee with two or three active girls. Make your banquet invitations return post-cards, printed, with spaces for acceptance, day, time and train of arrival of visiting alumnæ; saying at the end that house entertainment will be provided for all who come. Ask the town alumnæ to write as many as possible of their friends urging their attendance. Try to send out your chapter letter a couple of months before banquet time, and announce the date, or ask your state chairman to push the banquet in her letters. Plan, or get your town alumnæ to plan, an alumnæ meeting, and as many luncheon or little get-together meetings of the different classes as possible.

You think of your alumnæ as mature, self-confident women, wrapped up in their home interests in profession, or in home and club work. But the normal woman over thirty is immensely attracted by the women of twenty or thereabouts, loves to be with them, and yet feels that to them she is "old" and a bore. In the heart of the average alumna there still lives the ghost of the shy little freshman who was so scared and mistrustful of herself at her first rushing party.

When some alumna comes to call at the chapter house, pretend she is a rushee, and don't make the mistake of tearing upstairs where she can hear you talking and laughing while one or two conscientious seniors squirm in their chairs and try to entertain her. Give a tea once a year for all your town alumnæ, and make your invitations personal enough so they will really feel that you want to get acquainted with them. Remember that the easy cordial relations which you so much desire and *need* to have with your alumnæ are not brought about by leaving them strictly alone *until* you need something of them in the way of money or moral support, and then by going to them.

It is up to you to make the advances, for in the fraternity world in which you and your alumnæ stand, you are the center, and they the widely diffused periphery. And it will be worth your while too! Unless you are fortunate enough to have close relations already with a body of strong alumnæ, you have no idea what they may mean to you. Not just that they will give you a new floor lamp for Christmas, but they will give you a firmer standing in college and city community; they will help you hand down the traditions, customs, and characteristics which should differentiate your chapter from a local clique. You will find it a real personal pleasure to have friendships among older women, and in that time of storm which in these days of anti-fraternity feeling is apt to come to every chapter, they will be your rock. Active chapters are sometimes prone to forget that their unlikeness to a local social clique is due only to the national organization and to their alumnæ, and this brings about the self-centered attitude which is one of the strongest complaints of your best alumnæ against the active chapter. Remember you too will soon be an alumna—old, forgotten, *passée* (age 22) and ripe for the clutches of the alumnæ secretary. Horrid thought!

"Well, thank goodness, that sermon is over." All right, now let's have the responses. Mail is awfully welcome in the country, and I'd like to have a heap of it from the college chapters. The study program, I believe, includes nothing on alumnæ this year. Won't every college chapter please have a full and free discussion of the alumnæ question at the earliest possible meeting? My, won't our ears burn! And we deserve lots of the things you'll say about us. You know it. We know it. But some have "got religion" on this fraternity question, and would be grateful if you would do your part in writing the *Beginners' guide to alumnæ perfection*. Appoint your strongest girl a committee to write me the result of your discussion. (I'll never tell what you wrote.) Please discuss and cuss us and the following and any other points:

What would you like to have the alumnæ of your town and state do for you?

What will you do for these alumnæ this spring, or next year?

What have your alumnæ done for you that you particularly appreciate?

What have they done, or left undone, that makes you mad?

Do you feel that they are in active sympathy with you?

Have you sent out a printed letter of news of your chapter to all your alumnæ this year?

In general, what should alumnæ stand for?

Are you in close touch with your state alumnæ chairman? What has she done that you found helpful? What would you like to have her do for you?

Is there any way in which I can be of service to you? Please give me any and all ideas or suggestions that you can on alumnae affairs.

We are trying to find out as much as possible about the alumnae question, so as to discuss the matter fully at convention, so please help me all you can, and I will be henceforth your willing slave. I might even send you a fresh egg next January.

Alice T. Deweese

Address:

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Dawson, Neb.

ADDRESSES WANTED

All these members have unexpired magazine subscriptions, but postoffices report can not be reached at addresses given after names. Any assistance in locating these members will be appreciated by the Editor.

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Adams, Mrs. Charles A. (Mabel L. Pound, Alpha Beta) R. R. I., New Hope, Pa.

Mary Anderson (Alpha Zeta) Hudson, Wis.

Edith Ball (Tau) 204 Clinton av. Oak Park, Ill.

Barber, Mrs Robert (Alpha Kappa) 1306 Rhode Island av. N. W. Washington, D. C.

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Anne Dawson (Alpha Xi) Apt. 15, 720 Clark st. Evanston, Ill.

Gertrude Detjen (Alpha Psi) 1935 Sherman av. Evanston, Ill.

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Martha Harris (Alpha Tau) 2437 Fairview av. Clifton Heights, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ruth Hoeper (Alpha Psi) 1935 Sherman av. Evanston, Ill.

Mrs E. M. Slaughter (Grace Whatley, Alpha Omicron) Clinton, Okla.

Rafaela Tennent (Tau) 4820 Sheridan Rd. Chicago, Ill.

Gertrude Williams (Alpha Eta) 607 W. 116th st. New York, N. Y.

ATTENTION! EVERYBODY!

Please mark and heed.

It has been the practice for the Editor to spend hours of valuable time writing chapters to ask for the correct addresses of Theta's who were entitled to Journals, and more precious hours trying to locate subscribers whom the postoffice reports "moved left no address" and similar lost subscribers.

It has been the practice, no doubt, for chapter officers to spend hours of valuable time getting such information upon request from the Editor.

Well the end of this state of affairs has come. We are going to divide the responsibility and the work. It is to be henceforth and forever more the job of every subscriber to send her address to the Editor, and to keep that address correct. The editor's job will be to revise her mailing list by the addresses sent in by subscribers. The chapter's job in this matter shall be nil from now on. When notice comes that an address is incorrect, the subscriber will be dropped from the mailing list, no matter if she has paid a life subscription, until she sends her correct address to the editor, and no missed copies will be supplied to such delinquents either.

Practically every member of a college chapter now will be entitled to some magazines after she leaves college, either under the old badge bonus plan or the new life subscription fee plan. If she wants these magazines, she must send her address to the editor, neither her chapter nor the editor will assume that responsibility for her. And note that magazines are second class matter, which means that the postoffice does not forward them even if you leave an address; and from now on the Editor will not pay the postage to have them forwarded either. It is up to you to have your current address on file in the office.

The mailing list for an issue must be made up by the middle of the month preceding publication, so new addresses sent after October 15, December 15, February 15, March 15, will not be in time to receive the next magazine.

In case you think that we are unreasonable in this matter here are a few facts. From the postoffice we received 86 notices that copies of the January issue were undeliverable at the addresses which had been sent in, and for the March issue there were 93 more such notices.

If the magazine isn't worth the trouble of a postal card with your address, why we'll cut down our order with the printer and save money, as well as time and patience. In this new rule we are merely following the rule in general use in the magazine world. If you have a subscription for *Atlantic* or *Saturday evening post* standing, and move, do they hunt up your new address? I guess not.

Golf—tennis—swimming—boating—picnicing—side
shows of convention

WITH THE EDITOR

CONVENTION. Yes, it is part of the Editor's job to boom convention, to back up and augment the work of the Publicity committee. The Editor is aware of the job. But, how pray tell, can she add anything to the enticing plans set forth on other pages in such sparkling words of enthusiasm and conviction. If they don't get you, if they don't, in the language of another publicity committee inspire you to "begin now to be there then," why you are hopelessly indifferent and it is a waste of paper and ink for the Editor to add words to the theme.

No one's fraternity experiences is complete until one has had the vitalizing adventure of a national convention. No where can one have a better time and at the same time imbibe more enthusiasm and interesting knowledge of people than at a national convention. No one who can possibly attend has the slightest reason for staying away from a national convention. (The only one we have any sympathy for is the member who would, but can't, get to national convention.) No where else can one have an experience comparable to a national convention. These are facts, if you are skeptical the proofs wait for you in St. Louis, July 3-7, 1919.

KIPLING seems to be a favorite author just now, perhaps it is the call of the wild that is so enticing these first Spring days, perhaps it is the world-mindedness that makes his writing of Boer war times fit so well the conditions and questions of today. Anyway, we came across these lines after four unusually trying hours of editing chapter letters.

"I wish myself could talk to myself as I left 'im a year ago;
I could tell 'im a lot that would save 'im a lot on the things that
'e ought to know!"

To be sure this is Tommy Atkins gloating over the experience that has come into his life through a year of real service, but it has a personal application for each of us. And a collective application in chapter offices too.

You see if the retiring editors had half the sense of responsibility they should have, they would have helped the new editors with these first letters, they would have told them "of the things that 'e ought to know." What do you have elections in February for, but so retiring officers, before graduation takes them off the campus, can "tell 'im a lot that would save 'im (not to mention the national officers) a lot"? What's the use of training officers, if the training isn't passed on?

Small blame attaches to the new editors for the haphazard condition of most of this issue's copy, but much blame goes to the retiring editors, and also to the chapters who elect an editor with no idea of her fitness for the job. A sophomore who writes "clever" themes (save the mark) isn't very likely to be a good reporter—her forte is fine words and clever phrase-turning which bear such a remote relation to telling the news as to be only a trial in this office.

DEMOCRACY is a word on everyone's tongue these days. Many are the questionings as to what the word signifies, as to how life may be made to conform to the truest democracy. It is with genuine pleasure that Kappa Alpha Theta treats her readers to the thoughtful, constructive article in this issue from the able pen of the fraternity's good friend, Dr J. M. Mecklin, professor of philosophy at the University of Pittsburgh. That he is Theta's good friend we know, because he shares with the fraternity so much of the time of his wife, our Grand president; that his opinions on the fraternity's place in a democracy are deserving the most serious study his fame as a scholar makes certain.

SENIORS, with your sorrow over leaving college we sympathize. Both college and chapter will miss you, no matter what a brave showing they make of "business as usual." You will miss college too, no matter how full life is of service and joy. But you'll miss college less and appreciate more quickly what fraternity means throughout life, if you join the *alumnæ* chapter. The fraternity still has a place reserved for you, but now it will have to be your own initiative that finds that place. Much you have received in fraternity, a good deal you have given, but more is yet expected from you. If fraternities are to adapt themselves to the changing college conditions in these days of reconstruction they must have the service of *alumnæ*. Kappa Alpha Theta is counting on you. Kappa Alpha Theta wants to say with pride a year from today, that every 1919 senior is still an active Theta. You will be, won't you?

ALUMNÆ CHAPTERS, you want to strengthen your chapters and you want to shift some of the chapter work you have long carried? Well here is your chance. Go forth and enroll before graduation every senior in the nearby college chapter. They are now in a mood to join the *alumnæ* chapter, and if they do not get the invitation while in that mood, you may have to use many a follow-up system to catch them. It is up to you. More than one *alumnæ* chapter can testify, as can the Grand secretary and Editor, as to what good material these new *alumnæ* are for the detailed offices in the *alumnæ* chapter. Use them. They'll like to be in it from the very start.

AFFILIATION. Before another issue of this magazine, colleges will be reopening and many a Theta will find herself a lost, lonely stray on a new campus. There are the best of reasons why she changed colleges in the midst of her course, but it is hard to be a freshman again and especially if one comes to the new college already wearing a fraternity badge, for then all the college assumes that her fraternity will look after her and checks her off the long list of new students who must be led to feel at home on the campus. Meantime her fraternity, as represented in the chapter at that college, is absorbed in the work of making welcome to college a selected group of new students and overlooks the new student Theta, just at the time when she most needs the friendly hand that fraternity obligation calls upon the chapter to extend.

What is the solution of this unhappy condition? Not an invitation to affiliate with the chapter second term, when the girl either will have already made a place for herself in the college or retired within herself too much hurt to enter with real zest and sympathy into the chapter. Why not try the plan of treating such a Theta with the same courtesy and attention your own returning alumnae get at such times? Invite her to all the parties, rush her as it were, and then by the time pledge day comes she will be already an active member of the chapter in all but form, or else both she and the chapter will have decided that both will be happier if their relations are only formally friendly. On the other hand, the incoming Theta should realize that the chapter has infinite demands on time and thought in those first weeks, and she should do her part in making the friendly adjustment; go to the house without formal invitation, offer to help out some harassed, over-worked committee, in a spirit of friendly cooperation make herself useful and so win her place in the chapter.

Both sides are too self-conscious and too sensitive in making the natural adjustment as it should be made. Perhaps the detailed forms by which affiliation is ratified may be to blame for part of the trouble. Anyway, if you are changing college next fall, carry with you the same spirit that makes you a valuable member of your present chapter, resolve to do your part, to learn the ways of the new chapter and hesitate to criticise or speak that nerve-annoying phrase "in ——— chapter we always did" etc. And you, chapter to whom the stranger Theta looks for a welcome, give her the sort of entrée you give a returning alumna. There will be no affiliate problem if both sides will do their part in this spirit, and some of the sad lonely letters that have reached this office this year will have no successors. Let each put herself in the place of the other and then the Golden rule apply.

CHAPERONS will be needed in 27 Theta chapter houses next October. Not more than half of those chapters can count on the return of their present chaperons, and probably less than one

half will want their present chaperons back, for to find a really desirable chaperon is a difficult matter. Alumnæ, who would like a year of change and study, this field of service is worthy your attention. You may have friends, too, who could fill such positions acceptably and profitably. The Grand secretary is prepared to put chapters and would-be chaperons in direct touch; write her, she needs at least a score of possible chaperons for her next fall's list.

FIFTY YEARS seem to most of us more than a life time. Yet we are enjoying the fiftieth year of Thetahood now. What more appropriate than that in the midst of this fiftieth year, the clan should gather to get acquainted with that which went before, to familiarize itself with present conditions throughout the chapters, to plan wisely for the future so the second lap of the centenary shall start constructive building as truly as did the four brave girls in 1870. That is the spirit in which convention is being planned, it is the purpose of that gathering. Convention is going to be a successful birthday party, it will be more successful if you are there. All the world is facing the need of adjustment, of reconstruction nowadays. May our place in the procession be made a glorious one through the wisdom that you contribute to those five days in St. Louis.

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Kappa Alpha Theta has a catalogue that is complete with chapter, alphabetical, and geographical lists, up to May 1916. The next catalogue will be issued, if luck is with us, in May 1926. In the interim, at the end of the five year period, May 1921, there will be issued, if possible, a supplement to the 1916 catalogue, giving additions since that date and a key to corrections in the 1916 issue.

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THETAS WE SHOULD KNOW

MRS LEBRECHT

When Marie Davis was approaching the end of the second term of her presidency of District V of Kappa Alpha Theta, the general feeling throughout the district was that it would be hard for anyone else to fill the place which Miss Davis had made for herself, and to continue the helpfulness toward the chapter to the same splendid degree. But when Jessie Baldrich Lebrecht's name was announced as the successor, all who know her realized that the comradeship between president and chapters would continue. Mrs Lebrecht will be the same lovable type of big sister to the college chapter which Miss Davis has been.

When, as Jessie Baldrich, she came from Colorado to enter the University of Kansas she was received into Kappa chapter with a very enthusiastic welcome. The same welcome was waiting for her in all phases of college activity and the four years proved that the spontaneous confidence in her was wisely placed. Her charming enthusiasm was coupled always with good judgment, and there was time, with her, for all sides of college life. Socially prominent, and enjoying all social activity to the full, still she was ready to answer any call for class or fraternity work, and in scholarship she led from the first, Phi Beta Kappa coming to her as a natural culmination to the other honors she had received.

Shortly after her graduation she married Hal Lebrecht, Alpha Tau Omega, who had at that time started in the practice of law in Kansas City. They have a beautiful little daughter four years old. A few weeks ago, this little girl was asked who the Thetas are, and she responded unhesitatingly, "Thetas are ladies who sell coffee." District V of Kappa Alpha Theta will find that while Jessie Baldrich Lebrecht can sell Theta coffee par excellence when that is the Theta work at hand, she can and will meet any other Theta responsibility with enthusiasm and helpfulness, and the close comradeship which means so much between officer and chapter will rapidly develop. Mrs Lebrecht appreciates the honor which the fraternity, has shown her, and the chapters of her district are indeed fortunate to be under her guidance.

Anna Harrison Nelson

"Come on, let's go to St. Louis!"

ALUMNÆ CO-OPERATION WITH COLLEGE CHAPTER

The development of friendly co-operation between Syracuse alumnae chapter and Chi chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta has come so thoroughly and happily during the last few years that a summary of its salient features may be helpful to other alumnae chapters, located, like us, in a college town. The great fundamental of this relationship, the writer believes, is the spirit back of it. That spirit must be founded on a love for girls and an interest in them sufficient to help them as they wish to be helped, and not as we insist upon helping. "Co-operation, not domination" has been our slogan ever since in 1912 Chi chapter moved into its new home, whose purchase had been made possible by the co-operation of the two chapters working through a joint committee. We had seen other Syracuse alumnae chapters make the mistake, under similar conditions, of running the house themselves or of managing the college chapter, thus depriving the girls of their feeling of independence and of the valuable experience and development which they gain by solving their own problems. These mistakes we wished to avoid without leaving them so much alone that the house would become a burden greater than they could bear.

How did we steer between this Scylla and this Charybdis? First we backed the girls financially through the initial purchase of furniture, then we helped them start an adequate bookkeeping system, make rules for rental of rooms, et cetera; in other words, we helped them get a good start and then left the rest to them, except that we let them understand that we stood ready to help them, when needed. The definite agent of this pledged assistance is a chapter interests' committee of five, provided for by our by-laws, whose function is to keep the two chapters in touch, and to act unostentatiously as a supervisory committee. To this end, one member, known as the finance member, audits the chapter treasurer's books, helps make out annual budgets and advises along financial lines; another stands ready to organize alumnae aid in rushing and to confer on rushing problems. The entire committee plans to hold at least one meeting each year with the leaders of the college chapter, either seniors and juniors or the cabinet. The most successful of these conferences was one which took the form of a Washington birthday buffet luncheon at the home of one of the alumnae. The luncheon was followed by a very free and informal discussion of Chi's problems and the best means of solving them, the committee's attitude being "Where and how can we help you?" Besides these occasional small gatherings, members of the chapter interests' committee plan now and then to attend Chi's chapter meetings in order better to understand her needs.

In addition to the activities of this committee, the alumnae chapter itself each year holds two of its monthly meetings at the chapter house

with the girls. One of these meetings, held in the fall, is made of general interest by bringing a speaker, sometimes not a Theta, on some vital problem of the day e.g. a college woman's relation to her home community and to other women and girls, was presented by a faculty wife, who is president of the local Consumers' league. The other joint meeting, the Founders'-day celebration, usually takes the form of a supper with the girls at the house, followed by a talk from some Theta or by a Theta conference. Once an informal visit around the open fire, with all other lights out, brought an unusually close touch; again Mrs Comstock of Iota chapter gave us all much inspiration. This year, however, because we all felt the need, after the war's darkness, of a program in light vein, the alumnæ presented a minstrel show, which teemed with original songs and jokes. This showed the girls that we older ones had not lost our play instinct, and was met with hearty appreciation. Then each spring we entertain the seniors at one of our regular meetings held at an alumna's home. This extends to the out-of-town senior our fond farewell and to the city senior our cordial welcome as a prospective member of the chapter.

The whole program has had beneficial results for both chapters. Syracuse alumnæ chapter has gained strength by the entrance into it, as a matter of course, of all seniors who stay in or near the city—a condition that did not exist before—and by greater efficiency and more enthusiasm which follow infusion of new blood and association with live college girls. Chi chapter, besides being strengthened by our backing, is influenced to take fraternity and college life more seriously. Theta in Syracuse presents a united spirit and purpose which helps her to overcome obstacles and to assume a position of power, not alone in the university, but also in the community.

Mabel P. Stilwell, Chi

"WHO AM I?"

I am more powerful than the combined armies of the world.
 I have destroyed more than all the wars of the world.
 I am more deadly than bullets and I break more homes than the mightiest siege guns.
 I steal in the United States alone more than \$300,000,000.00 each year.
 I spare no one and I find my victims among rich and poor alike, the young and old, the strong and weak, widows and orphans know me.
 I loom up to such proportions that I cast my shadows over every field of labor from the turning of a grindstone to the moving of every railroad train.
 I massacre thousands upon thousands of wage earners every year.
 I lurk in unseen places and do most of my work silently; you are warned against me but heed not.
 I am relentless, I am everywhere, in the home, on the streets, in the factory, at railroad crossings, and on the sea.
 I bring sickness, degradation and death; and yet few seek to avoid me.
 I destroy, crush or maim, I give nothing but take all.
 I am your worst enemy.
 I am CARELESSNESS.—*Daily Cardinal*.—A Φ *Quarterly*.—K Δ , *Angelos*.

THE PRINCE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION FOR STORE SERVICE

Many new vocations for women have developed in the past few years. Among the more novel and interesting is that of educational director of salesmanship. Such a position has great possibilities for a girl with ability and an interest in constructive salesmanship, since department stores all over the country are finding the work valuable. At present, the Prince school of education for store service is the only place where the necessary training can be obtained.

The Prince school was established in Boston, Massachusetts in 1905 by Mrs Lucinda Prince. At first training was given to saleswomen only. Later, when the value of such training became apparent, the demand for teachers of such work led to the establishment of a training class for teachers. The class for saleswomen is still maintained and gives the class of teachers an opportunity for practice. In 1913, the school was affiliated with Simmons college, from which it receives some financial backing. Also, since 1915, the National retail dry goods association has cooperated in the support of the school.

Students are admitted to the school on the basis of individual fitness. Preference is given to candidates who are graduates of colleges or four-year normal schools, and teaching or business experience is very helpful. No entrance examinations are given, but at least one month's selling experience in a department store is prerequisite to entrance.

A year's training course, beginning in September, is offered, which prepares students to become either educational directors in charge of personnel work in stores, or to be teachers of retail selling and related subjects in high schools, evening schools, and extension schools. An educational director trains the salespeople in the store with which she is connected and does whatever the needs of that particular store demand. Those to whom teaching appeals more than the organization work, may teach classes in the various schools which have instituted such courses for pupils interested in store work. Either type of work offers numerous interesting possibilities.

The course of instruction at the Prince school is divided into four parts: (1) work done in active connection with the school of salesmanship; (2) conferences with the director; (3) academic and professional subjects; (4) store work. The work in observation and practice teaching, with the class for saleswomen, is part of the course of study. The afternoon sessions of the school are devoted to classroom work in applied psychology, education, textiles, and economics or welfare work from an economic standpoint. Practical store experience is one of the most essential features of the course. Alternate mornings are spent in the stores, as well as all day Monday. Also, during the busy month of December, class work is suspended, and the

entire class works in the stores every day. At this time, the students hold positions involving more or less responsibility. There is an opportunity for varied experience due to the fact that each student works in different departments and holds all kinds of positions.

One of the chief advantages of the Prince school is the splendid cooperation between the Boston stores and the school, making possible the finest practical experience. The latest development is a plan whereby each student may serve a few weeks apprenticeship under a graduate teacher. This experience comes as a culmination of the year of study.

Certificates are granted by the school and by Simmons college to students satisfactorily completing the course.

Mary Martin, Boston alumnae

[In the *American magazine* for March, in the Interesting people section, is the story of Miss Grace A. King's experience teaching salesmanship, and her views as to the future of the vocation. The article is an interesting demonstration of the training about which Miss Martin has written for us.

New York university is announcing a similar school to open the coming fall, which will lay special emphasis on the training of teachers of retail selling. The school is to have the support and financial backing of the Retail merchants association of New York city and laboratory practice will be in the great city stores such as Lord & Taylor, Altman, Macy, etc.]

IN MEMORIAM

HELEN KATHERINE KREPS, *Phi*

It is with sad hearts that we announce the death of Helen Katherine Kreps, who died February 23, after a long illness resulting from influenza-pneumonia, which she contracted while nursing during the epidemic. Helen graduated from Stanford in 1915 and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa early in her senior year. She had a mind of unusual brilliancy and was interested in and connected with various literary honor societies. On graduating she had determined to study for the ministry and since 1915 had been enrolled in the Unitarian theological school at Berkeley, where she was to have been ordained this coming June. Helen's was a character of strength and beauty, and of unflinching loyalty to her fraternity and friends. We feel that we have not only lost a sister, but that humanity is bereft of one who was doing her utmost towards its welfare.

BERTHA HACKWORTH BOWEN CONNELLY

Mrs Harry Wade Connelly died in New York, December 28, of pneumonia following influenza. She was initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta by Kappa chapter in 1906, and many Theta friends mourn with her family.

EDNELIA WADE

Ednelia Wade was a senior at Vanderbilt university, the president of Alpha Eta chapter. She died March 13, after a month's illness. Her last night at the chapter house was on initiation night, which service she conducted beautifully. The chapter's loss is beyond words to express, for Ednelia was "our beloved and wonderful president."

BIDDING, CONSIDERED IN TERMS OF
SALESMANSHIP

(Taken from the *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta)

Bidding of a candidate can be directly compared to the efforts of a salesman, for after all it resolves itself into a matter of salesmanship. Consider two competing salesmen selling similar articles. One is energetic, represents a large and old established house, has the best article at the best price, and furthermore, has a faculty of "digging" up prospects and creating a demand. Everything is in his favor, but his ability to close a sale; here he falls down. He lacks the final punch of a finished salesman, and consequently loses the order to his competitor.

Now let us consider that conditions are not as favorable to this competitor. He is not particularly energetic, does not bother to "dig up" prospects, taking the other fellow's as an easier way. The house he represents is a smaller and inferior one and the article he sells is inferior; still, he gets the orders. Why? Because he is a true salesman. He knows how to set forth the sales talk that takes.

This comparison is a direct analogy to fraternities at any school. The oldest crowd with the largest and strongest alumni, with the best house and best reputation, and whose members "dig up prospects," may lose many a man to a smaller crowd whose house is poorer, national reputation weaker, prospects less, and whose members do not bother to dig up prospects, simply because they did not have a sales talk that takes with the candidates. What a deplorable condition that is. Can Delta Tau Delta whose qualifications liken her to the first salesman and the first fraternity previously mentioned, afford to be relegated to their class when it comes to closing a sale or bid?

No doubt, all of our chapters can recall many a wily freshman who withstood all of the pleadings and oratorical endeavors of Delta's best bidders, only to walk away from the house, wearing no pledge button, but who ultimately ended up with another crowd.

I am a firm believer that we must go after our man properly with a sales talk that carries a punch. We have to do more than issue an invitation to become a member of Delta Tau Delta; for while we know that it is a signal honor we are bestowing on a boy, still, all other fraternities think the same thing about themselves, and it therefore

resolves into a case of who can best convince the boy, and not a case of who really has the most to offer.

Some biddings are run off something like this, with three of the brothers lolling around trying to think of some inducement to chip in with: "Well, Bill, I suppose you know what we have you here for. You have been around several times, have met all of our boys and we all like you, and want you to put on our pledge button. You are just the kind of a fellow to fit in with our crowd," etc., with a summary of the greatness of Delta Tau Delta and of ———— chapter if the boy is backward about taking the button. Now this is just such a talk as the first salesman uses and on which he loses so many orders. Pleading with a man to take his goods instead of making him anxious to be able to get them.

Would not a better method to create a desire in the mind of the freshman be to go at him somewhat as follows, with a setting arranged to make the prospect seem as small and insignificant as possible with the bidding members as large and menacing? "Well, Bill, you are a freshman in this college and you are just as green, fresh, and insignificant as all of the other freshmen. You probably have had dreams and ambitions of what you would do and make of yourself in college; we all have gone through that same stage. Well, our upper classmen, who are among the biggest men on the campus, have realized their ambitions, but not through their own efforts alone, not on your life. Seventy-five percent of their college success is due to the work of Deltas ahead of them, and who made them the big men they are today. You can't buck this game alone and you in particular will need all the help you can get and we can give. Now in pledging our freshmen we have the pick of some several hundred, and they mostly look about of like caliber. Your name was brought up and after considerable discussion you got through, not so much for what you are now, but for what we think we can make of you. Now keep this in mind, that we never bid a man twice (pause). A man usually knows and realizes what he is getting when he takes a Delta Tau Delta button, therefore, if you will stand up and come over here, I will put this button on your lapel with my congratulations."

Of course, there are dozens of such talks that could be used with variation to suit the occasion, but the all important point is to get the boy in such a frame of mind by preliminary remarks that he would rather lose his right arm than lose a bid to Delta Tau Delta, instead of starting off by flattering him and making him think he is doing you a favor by taking up your bid.

Such a course of bidding is not for the amateur to trifle with; for if carried too far it may have a "reverse English" effect. But it is a matter that should be really given serious thought and certain fundamentals, phrases, etc., worked up by an expert psychologist and salesman who knows the ways of a boy's mind today.

SAN DIEGO ALUMNÆ CLUB

San Diego alumnae are eager to welcome all Thetas visiting in their region. The new secretary of the club is Miss Ruth Cook, 1824 Sheridan av. San Diego, Cal. Call her up if you are in San Diego, or drop her a note telling her when you will be there; and where you will stay, don't forget the address, it is the only way you can be located in a city.

FRANCE THROUGH THE EYES OF A HEALTH EXPERT

The following letters are from Dr Placida Gardner, Omicron, who is with the Stanford Women's Unit of the Red Cross in France. This Unit was the second college women's unit organized, the Smith Unit being the first, and was organized by direct invitation from Red Cross headquarters. Another Theta with the Unit, frequently mentioned in these letters, is Margaret Lothrop, from Phi.

Dr Gardner has been in France since early in August 1918, resigning her position as city bacteriologist of Los Angeles, to go overseas.

Sept. 9. Paris

I am back in Paris after a most interesting trip. When I first arrived here I found that bacteriologists were in great demand and they still are. I was temporarily attached to the staff of Dr Chesley, the Public health expert for the A. R. C. in France. The A. R. C. sent us down to Lyon to see what could be done to help out the French authorities in controlling the diphtheria situation there. At present we are back in Paris. We have to get in order a traveling Ford laboratory which we found at an old fort here in Paris eating its tires off. It is most beautifully fitted up—of British workmanship, solid and substantial. Everything is complete, packed away in compact, felt-lined drawer—and I am to have it to run! It is to be sent down to Lyon as a base and will be sent from there out into the country whenever an emergency arises. I am to be the bacteriologist in charge and to get the thing going, in the mean time training up a French girl to be in permanent charge. I want to get to work for our own boys in a big army laboratory and I think I am going to get to do it in time.

Since we reorganized the Unit and they made me secretary, I have a large number of unit letters to write and it takes time. Imagine *me* corresponding secretary! The Unit furnishes a typewriter which helps some. The last of the Unit girls left in Paris go out day after tomorrow and I shall be left alone here. It will take two or three weeks to get the Lab. in order and in the meantime I must hang around here which I hate. Paris is a great disappointment to me. You

know that they say that when good Americans die they go to Paris. That settles it—I shall run no more risks. The weather has begun to be cold and rainy. Aside from having no heat in the rooms and having hot water only Saturday and Sunday there is no privation that I have seen in Paris. There is certainly food enough but prices are abominable and we get imposed upon at every turn.

The first few days in Paris we were shelled by Big Bertha and I was through one air raid, but all that is over now. The Germans are busy at something else and apt to be for some time to come. Our boys are *splendid*—I never was so proud to be an American. America is coming home when the war is over very much broader in point of view, but more sure than ever that our ways are best.

August 24, Lyon

The first thing that happened to me was that I was taken gently but firmly by the ear and detached from the Unit—over my protests. The other girls were put in Military affairs (a section of the A. R. C.) where everyone belongs in my opinion because it means working for our own boys who need us and a lot more like us. I was retained in Civil affairs (which means working for the French civilian population) and told to go and “Bact,” since that was my specialty. I am in Lyon in the midst of a ten days’ trip of inspection. Day before yesterday we left Paris and travelled all day South through France. I do not know why it is that no one has ever in song or story or just plain talk given me any impression of France which bears the remotest resemblance to the truth. Quaint and picturesque and beautiful and a million other similar adjectives have been used. Perhaps someone has said “France is lovely, etc., etc.” and added, “But the sanitation is poor.” The truth is that this is no place for my Mother’s daughter or anyone else with a public-health conscience. They say that I must make every allowance for a country that has been four years at war, but I remind them of the old story of Whistler and the little boy who said he was seven years old. “No,” said Whistler, “Do not try to deceive me. No boy could get as dirty as that in seven years.”

Paris

I saw Evian-les-Bains, where the repatriates come in; saw the various Red Cross hospitals for repatriates and refugees and such; and saw nearly the whole of Southern France. The country is very “picturesque” and “quaint.” I did not know before that these terms are properly applied to a country which “pictures” better than it looks, all along of being dirty round the edges—and in the middle. Nothing in France is at it should be according to the papers at home. It may be better, it may be worse, but it is a moral certainty that it is entirely different.

Bordeaux, October 24

Here I am in the exceedingly interesting city of Bordeaux. I came down from Paris day before yesterday on a trip of inspection making

a Sanitary survey of Red Cross canteens. It rains and rains and rains in France *all* the time, but today the sun is out. I am to have Elizabeth Woodbridge (one of the Unit girls) as interpreter and we will be going from place to place for about two weeks and then back to Paris. There are some splendid American girls here drudging in the canteen with the finest spirit in the world, and the A. R. C. personnel here is splendid—they are most fine people. Here in France we do the best thing if we can and if not (and it is usually not) we do the next best thing, but always we are trying to adjust our step to that of the French, which is hard to do. They are so everlastingly slow that it drives you either wild or to an attitude of indifference to time that is fatal to accomplishment.

October 29

Elizabeth Woodbridge and I are hanging around an A. R. C. canteen, waiting hours for a train to come. We are out doing a Sanitary survey of Red Cross canteens and incidentally seeing France. It is hard work to travel in France now because all the goods and materials in the world are pouring into France and troop trains and freights of course take the right of way over mere passenger trains. Our train is now three hours late. I am finishing this crowded into a compartment for eight people (we are extra) with an American captain, two French majors, a French captain, and a few assorted civilians, but we have only an hour to our next stop.

December 9

The armistice affected a lot of us as it would be to be going fast and stub our toes—but thank God for it. . . . The armistice has changed everything here. The Civil relief work for the French is being rapidly given up and all the fine plans we had made for Public health work have vanished into the air—I am very glad for this. I am not to go to Lyon, but I have at last succeeded in getting myself released (temporarily and with a short string) to the Unit. Edith Mirrieles (the Head of the Unit) is one of six R. C. women chosen from all of the hospital workers in France to go with the army into Germany—the honor is tremendous. That leaves the Unit headless; I as secretary am the temporary victim. We are to go to an immense camp at Savenoy, near St. Nazaire, to have all the R. C. work (for women) there as a Unit. This suits us to the *n*th degree. I go from Paris to Savenoy Thursday, December 12. It is new work and we are going to have a great time starting it.

St. Nazaire, Jan. 19

As I wrote, When Edith Mirrieles went to Germany, responsibility for the Unit devolved upon me. I got temporary leave from the Public health division and shouldered the responsibility with very great reluctance. But it has been rather fun making the wheels go round and I like the entire change from the work I had been doing, and the contact with our own American boys and the A. E. F. in

general. The Stanford Unit has been assigned to cover the R. C. women's work in connection with the embarkation of troops from here for home. There are three embarkation ports—Brest, Bordeaux and St. Nazaire. Of these St. Nazaire is the worst hole in France. It is a small—and utterly filthy—seaport town in the lower corner of Brittany with absolutely nothing to it but the Americans. I persuaded the C. O. to build us a barrack to live and work in in the very center of Embarkation Camp No. 1 (A. E. F.), and Margaret Lothrop, Elizabeth Woodbridge and I are at present living here and doing R. C. work for the boys in the camp. The boys come here and are kept a few days while they have their papers straightened out, a medical examination, get paid, and “de-loused” (you have heard the verb?) and then are sent direct from here to the boats. We try to get information about missing men (there are over 10,000 names on our missing list) and how and where men died and were buried, etc. Our barrack is just being finished; we have a wonderful thing—a hot shower bath. *Any* kind of a bath is a luxury in France. We have an office, a reading-room, store- and dressing-rooms and dormitory, all standard barrack construction, which means of the general architecture of a barn, and all about are ditto, set in a mud-flat. If it were not so busy it would be inexpressibly dreary.

When the men reach the dock, we catch 'em again; Fleta Williams and Anna May Laird work down there. We have a Red Cross “dock hospital” and canteen. They have charge of the canteen and I have immediate charge of the whole thing. We have just got it going—have taken care of one boat load. Tomorrow 4600 men go on the Mongolia; at least 3000 will come through our hands which means some little scramble for us. We planned and started the canteen, we have negro cooks detailed from the army, and the army is doing absolutely anything we ask. An American woman can get anything (reasonable or otherwise) from the army. They have certainly been fine to us. It is very interesting and important work and my hands have been and are full. Then Dr McCurdy, who is R. C. man in charge of this zone very unexpectedly made me his assistant. It means that I have general supervision of the Unit but am not so close to them as I expected to be and that I shall have other and broader work not directly connected with the Unit in addition to Unit work. But it will all help out on Unit affairs and give us a chance to know about things and to make good.

St. Nazaire, February

My Christmas box arrived February 2 in good repair. Just before it came I went out to the shower-bath room and selected a large Brunette pail and put my kerchiefs (about a hundred of them and all I had) on to boil, and was much pleased with myself for my enterprise. It subsequently developed that our colored orderly had used said bucket for coal and I had not noticed its dark complexion. And

me absolutely destitute! Then your Christmas box arrived. You never will know how much it meant to us to have the things right from your hands to ours.

Since the middle of December there has been almost no moment of privacy, or of freedom from crowding problems. Edith Mirrielees is now on her way here from Germany, and I shall resign most of my worries to her. Our activities are two. We live and work at this camp and also we have charge of a dock hospital canteen at the dock where the men embark for home. Our job is to give them a last send-off in the shape of sandwiches coffee, cigarettes, etc. from the R. C. It is a big responsibility and a big worry. Out at the camp we have a barrack, the front end of which we use for an office and reading-room for soldiers, and the rest for living quarters. We go about half a block away for meals to the Casual Officers' mess. The adjective refers to their organization, not their manners; they are so styled to differentiate them from the permanent personnel of the camp. There are about twenty thousand men in the camp and about half a dozen Y women who work but do not live here, and ourselves. We breakfast from 7 to 8:30, lunch from 12 to 1, and dine from 5 to 6. Food is "wholesome" but heavy for ladies—good, though. WE HAVE A HOT SHOWER BATH! Incredible as this may seem to any member of the A. E. F. it is a fact. You could throw a cat through our barrack at almost any point. But we have a "cullud puhson" for an orderly. The orderly keeps up our fires, makes our beds, sweeps, blacks our shoes, and in general is a perfect lady. The climate is vile, as in most of the rest of France—colder than our winter days at home, with a wet cold that penetrates to your bones. But we have proper clothing for it, and something which these poor French have not, we have the opportunity to get around a red hot stove and get really warm. The shipping, and the docks and warehouses, and the other things the Americans are doing here are very interesting. Otherwise the place is "picturesque"!

Convention, July 3-7, St. Louis.

THE LITTLE RED HUT AT ANGERS

The presiding genius, as well as the creator of this "home corner over there" is Mary Anderson, initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta by Alpha Zeta, later affiliated with Upsilon. The story is from the *War work bulletin* of Y. W. C. A. where it was accompanied by a picture of Mary flanked by two of the nurses.

Angers, France.—First of all it is famous because General Pershing has just visited it—three times in one day.

It is a low, red brick hut. The walls inside are red brick, too. There is a big open fire-place, blue curtains at the windows, and in

every corner comfy low chairs with cushions in them. Pine trees grow up close to it and whisper the story of the years they have known as they nod in the winds of the night time.

There is no sign over the doorway, or inside. But it is the Y. W. C. A. hut for nurses. It is in the hospital grounds on the outskirts of the city. The hospital proper was a monastery before the war. The French first converted it into a hospital for their wounded, and later turned it over to the Americans.

It is a bustling, cheery place—the little, red hut—as cheery as the crackling fire of big logs which a detail of prisoners brings daily under guard. And there are quiet corners too, off at the far end, where nurses go to write their letters or read.

And now that “it’s over” they are an impatient, restless group of women who drink their tea in the little red hut. They are wondering and waiting.

But the little red hut is the same little hut—in war or peace times; it has always been cheery, always been patient. And now Pershing has found it, and made it famous.

The liveliest, gayest place of all is around the tea table. And this is where General Pershing sat the other day and made the spot historic. He came with all his staff-colonels and majors and captains, and his nephew, Lieut. Pershing. And they all drank tea and talked with the nurses just like other ordinary mortals.

General Pershing was inspecting the camp. He came officially in the morning and talked to the secretary in charge, Miss Mary Anderson and in the afternoon he came socially for tea, and in the evening he came for the party the nurses were giving.

A lot of people have come to love the little red hut at Angers. In the days of the fight, the nurses drank their tea with serious faces and hurried back to their “boys.” They came directly from the dressing stations to the hospital at Angers, and one night the nurses took care of a convoy of 1,100 men, and in three hours each man’s wound had been dressed.

The town of Angers is just far enough away to be out of comfortable walking distance. The Y. W. C. A. secretary there goes four times a week on shopping errands for “her family,” as she calls her nurse friends. Sometimes she carries a pair of shoes to be soled and a uniform to be cleaned. In her note book she has a memorandum to buy lace and powder and a bicycle pump.

Visiting—chatting—eating—laughing—stunting, rest
periods of convention.

A LETTER FROM JANE RIDER

Jane Rider '12 was a charter member of Beta Delta chapter. Before her entrance into Red Cross Canteen work in London, she was head of the pure food laboratory of the University of Arizona.

"This has been a great day. We got up early this morning and went out to a place about 30 miles away to do some canteen work, but there had been a delay somewhere and no troops were coming for a day or two, so we had lunch at a queer little place, walked up to the next station, through some odd roads, and came back to town. It was still early, so we walked through the financial district, passed the Bank of London and finally took a bus back to Oxford street. We stopped at the Palace theater, on Leicester square, to get tickets for Elsie Janis in *Hello America*. S. R. O. sign was out, but we took a chance and asked for seats. He looked us over and, with nose in air, said there was only a box, 'one pound, eleven and six.' We fooled him and took it. That was an auspicious start, so we looked up a Lipton place for tea. You get a cup of tea and an almost good rabbit for 8 pence or 16 cents. Then we went to a Belgian pastry shop for some cakes for tomorrow. Later, having washed up, we went down to the Cheshire Cheese, the old Samuel Johnson coffee house, off Fleet street, for dinner. It is the quaintest old place, up a sort of dark and stormy alleyway. We tried about six before we struck the right one. And once there! They sawdust the floor and you sit in sort of high-backed booths with a table in between. The pictures upon the wall are the same as before the war or the ark—I have forgotten which—and some of the immortal Samuel's books are still there. The waiter was also prehistoric. He brought a real dinner, though, clear tomato soup, pigeon pie, boiled potatoes, cauliflower and cider; also a sweet that was really sweet. It was an historic edition of the modern pancake, was served piping hot, with honey. Oh, lady! lady! Then, of course, Cheshire cheese—'the same they served in His time, Miss'—and, at that, it did not look as bad as roquefort. We did not have time for coffee, so we took that at the theater. First, however, we had to get to Leicester square only we forgot what it was called. So we hailed a bus and asked how to get to the Palace theater, on Charing Cross road. He told us to get aboard, and the first land mark we recognized, in Darkest London, was Trafalgar square. We knew, even then, that we did not want to go there, so we got up and out and were swallowed in a dreadful mob. There was some sort of a free movie going on. Eventually, two Bobbies started us in the right direction. We were only half a mile off, and we arrived just ahead of the curtain.

It was some show. No wonder the American army is crazy over that girl. She is the best thing I have seen for ages, and the company

is all there, too. Never was there more of a riot of colors. The costumes are gorgeous. They shame even an American sunset. Of course there is no plot to the show, but the music is good and the dancing was better. She pulled the old one about the coon passing the bullet, only this was a colored soldier and a 'Jack' Johnson. The audience laughed itself foolish and kept applauding—right then we knew what glee was in England.

I must go to bed now and finish this tomorrow, but first for your information, the whole party, including tea and bus fares, cost only eighteen and seven, or about four dollars and a half apiece. Not bad for tea, dinner and the theater with Belgian cakes thrown in. I had almost forgotten to tell you the best part of the day. I bought a raincoat early this morning and it rained and I could wear it all day.

Sunday night: It was another full day. We breakfasted late and then went down to St. Paul's for the 11 o'clock service. It is the loveliest old cathedral, fully as beautiful as advertised. Dr Dixon can give you a much better idea of it. I stayed for communion, and it was most impressive. We wandered about after the service, looking at memorials—there are such a lot of them that it is rather confusing. Coming out, we saw the children feeding the pigeons on the paving and I felt as if I were a little girl again, looking at a picture of it all. It was our last day in London, so we celebrated by having luncheon at the Trocadero, on Piccadilly Circus. It is one of the famous places of modern London. We had an excellent five-course luncheon, perfectly served, and a good orchestra, all for five shillings or \$1.21 each. In new York Allah alone knows how much it would have cost.

After luncheon Mrs Knapp and I went to see a ball game between the crack teams of the American and Canadian armies. We wandered all over London for some hour and a half before we found the place but it was a great game, when we got there. In the seventh inning it was 3 to 2, in favor of the Canadians, when the U. S. pitcher and the umpire, Lathan, formerly of the N. Y. Giants, had some bitter language. It ended by Lathan's walking off the field and forfeiting the game. It was the rottenest piece of sportsmanship I ever saw but there were about two hundred doughboys waiting for that ex-Giant and unless he got away, M.Q., some place, I'll bet he is in a hospital now.

This evening we went to the Palace again to see the regular American night show, which they have every Sunday. No one not in uniform is admitted. You get cards from the head of your unit. There were four of us and one card, but we ran into a couple of doughboys who had an extra card and, between us, we all got in the crowd. The audience was half the fun. They threw a sort of paper dart around and laughed a good deal. The boxes on the left

are reserved for the navy staff; on the right for the army. Admiral Sims came in first with another admiral. As soon as the crowd saw him it began to cheer. No one seemed to know who the other man was, but he acknowledged the applause, which seemed to be intended for Sims. There were two major generals and a brigadier general in the army box, with some colonels, etc. I did not know any of them. General Biddie did not come tonight.

There are such scads of things to tell you and it is getting so late. I spent two breezy days trying to get some aprons for the canteen workers. It was rather difficult as cotton materials are scarce here and very expensive. Silk is the same but woollens are very cheap, and gloves are a joy. Since I last wrote you the rest of the party have gone on to France. The day they left they gave me a corking leather bill case. I was surely pleased. I have just had an awful fright. I took it out to look at it and could not find my emergency ration card for this week, and I went back and forth through my pockets until it came to light. They have the fairest, sanest system here. No coupon, no emergency ration, and everyone is treated exactly alike. There is no getting a double supply by going to another place. The restaurants all have an omelette or some substitute dish for meat courses and then fowl, stews and some things of that sort take only half a coupon. Fish, of all sorts, is free. In that way everyone has plenty of everything, and no one with less patriotism is getting an oversupply.

I go up country tomorrow for an indefinite stay, from a week to a month. All my mail, at all times, to be sent care American Red Cross, 32 Grosvenor Gardens. Do please, send along a *Saturday Evening Post* occasionally. There are no American publications of any sort on sale here, and any will look good to me."

"Plan now to land then," July 3-7, Convention.

A MESSAGE FROM ITALY

Vittorio Veneto, Italy,
March 11, 1919

My dear Thetas,—

When the "Greatest Mother in the World" opened her big heart to all her children and enfolded them in the tender embrace of her loving arms, she did not forget Italy. The story of the American Red Cross here is a fascinating one, and it has been my privilege to serve six months, four of them in the "invaded land" since the retreat of the Austrians after a year's occupation. The American Red Cross followed the flight of the enemy within twenty-four hours, bringing

moral support in the substantial form of food—much food—condensed and evaporated milk, soups, rice, peas, beans, sugar, coffee, salt pork, lard, beef, and flour. In the Veneto, while hand grenades were still lying in the streets and helmets were as common as tin cans in any unkept by way, centers were established by the American Red Cross for distributing food and clothing throughout the invaded land. From Vittorio, beautifully situated at the foot of the Italian Alps, we have cared for a local population of 26,000 and the people of more than forty mountain towns which surround us. I arrived sitting on some boxes at the back of a camion full of Campbell's soups. It had taken all day to come from Padova, a trip which we make now in a little more than a couple of hours. The road was full of camions—Croce Rossa Italiano, Croce Rossa Americana, Croce Rossa Britannica and Servizio Militare—speeding in both directions, thousands of Italian soldiers going to and returning from the front, hundreds of Austrian prisoners, and here and there a refugee returning with all his earthly possessions on the little cart which he walked beside. We crossed the Piave River, now spanned by three strong bridges near our crossing, on a pontoon bridge. The road was camouflaged overhead and at both sides by deep fringes of corn stalks and sticks. For weeks the military activity was ceaseless and fascinating. Civilian life lacked everything. There was not a store of any kind, money had no value, there was no mail service, no railroad, the roads were in bad condition, the people had neither clothes nor food. The Austrians, although not resorting to atrocities to any great extent, had taken all the bedding, all the linen and all the clothing except what the people had on, sometimes even that in the case of old or isolated people. All cotton goods they had been sending back into Austria for surgical dressings. For a year the people had lived on a scanty diet of polenta only, and in the dispensary, which the American Red Cross opened here at once, the results are strikingly manifest in various forms of malnutrition and much tuberculosis. Now at the end of four months the roads are good, the post comes regularly, train service for civilians is reestablished, food and clothing stores are opened, and today the soil is turned up, the grape vines are being pruned, and all the signs of a happy, normal life are returning. During these four months we have been busy. I do not think any one thing is more responsible for the improved physical condition of the people than the condensed milk sent in abundance from the United States—its effect is little short of miraculous. We supply and will continue to supply for two months longer fifteen soup kitchens, open daily, for several thousand people. All the institutions for the sick, the old and the young receive foods from us. Weekly rations are sent to the inhabitants of forty villages. In December the value of the food which we distributed from this center alone was \$55,426 in Italy—the salt pork which is greatly needed and much appreciated was worth \$24,000 here. The distribution of clothing

has been my special duty, and I have given away more than 100,000 garments, caring personally for the needs of 3600 families in Vittorio, and delivering clothing to local committees in all the outside villages, all badly shelled and all in great need. I am filled with a tremendous pride in the work of the people at home. You cannot know what a satisfaction it is to work with the generous support of the American Red Cross, for its abundance is unlike anything else. To each one of you who has contributed money, time and labor, and especially to each of you who has served and knitted and packed those beautiful cases of clothing that come from America I send my personal thanks, for it has been a joy to me to see every one of those wonderfully packed cases opened, and their contents have been an inestimable blessing over here. I have had cases from New England, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Ohio, Indiana, Minnesota, Arkansas, North Carolina, and Texas. I have also received clothing from the Italian workshops, which have performed a splendid service in employing women in Italy during the war—also shoes, curious shoes with wooden, paper or rope soles, made in the Italian American Red Cross shoe-shops. Recently one of my greatest problems has been the soldier dismissed from the army. He comes home, not infrequently to a destroyed house and a family in need, to find his clothing all gone. There is no money saved from his small pay—4 to 10 cents a day—and the little the family has left is in the paper money issued by the Austrians during their occupation. I have been giving some of these soldiers two pair of stockings, two hospital shirts no longer needed for their original purpose, corduroy for a pair of trousers and a blanket for a coat. This "trousseau" is received with delight, sometimes with tears. Not long ago I visited an asilo just at noon. A hundred small children were sitting in two semi circles on the ground, all the little girls wearing black aprons which the American Red Cross had given and all the little boys, colored aprons. Each was sitting with his legs out straight and holding in his lap a bowl of rice and milk, also given through the bounty of the American Red Cross. In the school over two hundred other children were also wearing our aprons and eating our rice, and all of them clapped and cheered the American Red Cross with radiant faces.

On Christmas we had an out-of-doors party in which two thousand children were invited by ticket, and we were able to entertain twenty-two hundred. Each child received a dress or a sweater, a large cake of chocolate, a box of lozenges donated by the Y. M. C. A., a face cloth and a cake of soap which is the greatest possible luxury in Vittorio. The boys of the U. S. A. Ambulance Section, Number 559, looked out for the crowd for us, and the Piazza Vittorio Emanuele was full of people, some whole parishes coming in a body with singing and flags flying. Afterwards, as a surprise to us, a small boy and a small girl spoke pieces on the steps of the Uffici Governativi and we were each given a poem to the Croce Rossa Americana and a flyer,

Wilson, the grand nation of the United States of America, and the noble institution of the American Red Cross.

My greetings to you all from "liberated Italy."

Loyally yours in Theta,

Elizabeth Morrison, Alpha Epsilon.

Business as unusual recreation for unoccupied hours of convention.

UPSILON THETAS IN FRANCE

"We are having just a wonderful time," and "we constantly meet old friends from home on the streets." These two sentences were a part of every letter that was quoted to me over the telephone when I inquired the whereabouts of Upsilon Thetas in France.

Alice McCoy and Dorothy Loyhed are in Colombey-Les-Belles, canteen workers for the American Red Cross. They room together and are on the same "shift" in canteen service. I was not sure from the account I received whether it was these two Minneapolitans, former patrons of the college Oak Tree, that introduced chocolate and cinnamon bread toast to American soldiers, but I'm sure that they serve that college combination in France.

Florence Greiner is also a canteen worker at Bordeaux. Her most thrilling experience so far was to shake hands with General Pershing.

Mary Fraser is in Paris. Every day she rides a mile and a half out of the city to a children's hospital in which she works as laboratory technician, making blood tests and other tests. One day on the streets of Paris she met Mary Anderson, an adopted Upsilon Theta. She has met also boys in khaki who used to frequent the porch of the Theta house, Heine Smaltz, Bruce Moler and others.

Perrie Jones, whose letters have already appeared in the *Journal*, is now spending a three weeks' vacation in Chaumonix at the foot of Mt. Blanc.

Wouldn't it be fun if we could gather, as of old, around the Theta fire place and hear these girls tell their absorbing tales?

Every Theta alumna should feel it just as much her duty to join the alumnae chapter as once she felt it her privilege to join a chapter. She must not forget that when she was an undergraduate there were alumnae working for her and the fraternity, and that debt should be paid with interest. We should remember that our pledges were not taken to the chapter, but to the fraternity; that we did not join the chapter, but the fraternity; that when we go out from the chapter,

we do not go out from, but rather further into the fraternity, in its largest and best sense. Then it must be plain that if we would do our part in advancing the fraternity, there is always a place in alumnæ chapter where we can renew the pledges once given in the chapter.

Helen P. Cook, Lincoln Alumnæ

Everybody there. Where? Theta's July Jubilee.

ONE OF THE THETAS IN FRANCE

During the last four years Thetas have travelled far into strange lands and have performed wonderful tasks strange to womenkind, and they have so worked that they have brought honor to women's war work and to themselves. None of the growing band of overseas Thetas began her labors earlier, carried on more quietly, or wrought more efficiently than Florence Heywood of Phi. The number of stricken children who have benefited by her services is legion, and yet she says her work is just begun and that it will continue for years to come. When hostilities began, Florence Heywood was in Paris where she had spent several years in the artists' quarter as an art critic and lecturer. Tourist Thetas will remember her official guide book to the Louvre. Among the relief problems that pressed for immediate attention in those first tragic days, that of the fatherless and motherless children was most appealing to the American colony. They set to work at once to raise funds and netted a large sum from a Fête de charité. Out of a humble beginning at Etretat, a bathing resort in Normandy, in August 1914, came the Association nationale des orphelins de la guerre (the French National association of orphans of the war) of which Florence Heywood is now delegate for America. This organization is, as the name implies, national and official; it numbers among its patrons the most illustrious statesmen and scholars in France. Recruiting agents of the association were sent out in the trail of destruction of the German army to search for children in the ruins after bombardments for babies lost from refugee parties, or abandoned by the roadside, and for little ones whose parents had been killed before their eyes. Each drive meant more orphans, and therefore greater need of food and shelter. Florence Heywood gave up her profession and devoted her entire time to this work.

At the very outset of the war, relief had to be given to the widowers suddenly called to depart from their homes for the battlefields. These men were the sole support of their children, and they were in despair when they had to leave their babies to the doubtful care of neighbors with no assurance of income. A pledge was made

to the fathers of these small ones that "whatever happens they never will be abandoned to vice or misery." When these provisions became known hundreds of little children crowded into the office. Some of them were quite alone with a label revealing their identity pinned to their clothes. At best Paris in the summer is no place for children; that first terrible summer with its congestion made conditions particularly unhappy. At the end of six months, a new orphanage was founded in the sunny south at beautiful Saint-Jean Cap-Ferrat (Riviera); nineteen houses were prepared there with a large villa in the center of the park. Later a special puoponnière was opened at Nice. Since then other colonies with full equipment of sanatorium and hospitals have been provided in other sections of France.

The French national association feeds, clothes, houses, and educates 5000 children in its care. The little folk form families of about twenty members and these groups are designated by the charming names of the Mouettes (sea-gulls), the Violettes, the Coquelicots (poppies) and the like. These little families are presided over by foster-mothers, most of whom are the widows of teachers and college professors fallen in the war. Each child is given individual care, and no child goes to bed unvisited. Even with the most intelligent management, the cost of maintenance is high and is soaring higher. Last summer Florence Heywood wrote that it cost three francs per day to make complete provision for one child. The government provides one franc but the other two francs must appear from voluntary contributions. Returning soldiers tell alarming tales of the prices in France; we hear of meat at \$2 a pound and eggs at 15 cents each. However accurate this may be, Florence Heywood said in a recent letter, "While the children are not hungry, we can not give them what they need. Milk we have given up except for the invalids and babies."

Florence Heywood has been instrumental in collecting a large share of the funds for the upkeep of the association. As delegate for America she has appealed to organizations, schools, clubs, and individuals and has caused the dollars to roll into France on their errand of mercy. Many soldiers in the A. E. F. became interested, and out of their meager and irregular pay they adopted many orphans, that is they pledged the money to support these children for a year. Regiments and companies vied with each other in the collection of funds. One American officer who had been to Nice on his "permission" declared that Miss Heywood was one of the most charming and clever women he had ever met. It seems that he was rather homesick and lonesome when he called at the association and that she had given him a very cunning little child to play with and to amuse. The baby snuggled up to the officer, put its arm around his neck, and promptly went to sleep much to the soldier's delight.

The baby took a nap of two hours and dispelled the blues of the American. When the officer returned to his regiment, he received the baby's kodak picture which he displayed at mess. A brother officer exclaimed, "Let's adopt the kid," and the money was sent to Nice. Soon a kodak picture of the baby's sister reached the officer. "Let's adopt her too," was the verdict of mess. Some of Florence's friends wonder how she finds time to take all her pictures. If you adopt one of her babies, she will send you a picture you can not resist. One Theta alumnae chapter adopted a child after the members had been captivated by a picture. The next year Florence sent three pictures and advised that the chapter adopt triplets. The president looked at the bewitching youngsters and immediately appointed a committee who are busily at work raising funds. The most hard hearted could not resist these snap shots, especially when pencilled on the back is some such note as this, "Andre Ferau, aged 3. Found in a cellar at Nancy. Probably had been there several days and had picked up food for himself or had been given some by refugees. Father fell at Verdun, Mother killed in a munition factory."

Many visitors to the various homes of the association are surprised at the tender care given the little ones and the happiness and the health of these children who have suffered such losses in the supreme sacrifice of their parents. Florence says, "One of the sad sights of the war is in an arrival of orphans at a railway station. Lifted down from the train, they stand bewildered and frightened in little groups, or cling to some newly adopted mother who has helped them across France. Here is a little girl in crêpe sobbing disconsolately. She is old enough to realize why she suffers. A small family of five stand near, the father aged eleven, holding baby by the hand and keeping the small boys under careful surveyance. Beyond on a bench sits a lovely little creature in a prettily trimmed bonnet that shows the affectionate solicitude of some lost mother. She stares curiously at this collection of children. The directors hurry about, comforting, cheering, and distributing these sad little waifs of war among the various colonies scattered from the Channel to the Mediterranean. With blurred eyes one murmurs, How sad, how sad."

"Heavy hearted over the fate of these bereaved children one visits a colony of the French national association of the orphans of the war. Can any of these plump, joyous little folks be the desolate orphans of the railway station? They march through the sunny garden, singing as they come; perhaps from lunch in the open air, perhaps from classes, returning to their scattered homes many of which overlook the Mediterranean.

"There go the 'bluebirds,' all in blue print frocks, made possibly from some bolts of material donated by generous transatlantic friends. Here are some 'Poppies' in red aprons. They turn in at

the work shop for a sewing lesson. Two little orphans brought grandpa and doggie and the dear old man is the devoted grandpa of all the children. Doggie has several hundred masters. The children love their adoptive mothers. See them run to meet a mother at the gate. Surely this is a happy picture."

Americans, sometimes are tempted to forget in the many drives and appeals that we really owe a debt to those men who died by thousands during the three long years before we entered the war. Their children, unsupported, pay the cost. Here is a peculiar call and opportunity for help. Here is something isolated Thetas, not allied with any alumnæ chapter, can embrace. They can interest their friends in their communities, and they can stretch their hands and their pennies across the sea to work in a great cause with a Theta in France. Old friends and new helpers can reach Florence Heywood, Orphelins de la guerre, Permanence 44 Bld. Carnot, Nice (A. M.) France.

Grace Lavayea, Los Angeles alumnæ

OUR BIT

Of course we are all doing war work this year. Our big work is our dispensary. Columbus Thetas are financing a dispensary through the American committee for devastated France. It is to be known as the Theta dispensary and Miss Lucille Atcherson, secretary to Miss Anne Morgan, will report to us from time to time. We also make garments for this dispensary. They are given to the people who come there.

Then we are very proud to admit we have a few girls in the service.

Monabelle Lentz is a reconstruction aide in the Walter Reed hospital in Washington. Bits of her letters will tell more about her work.

"You will never be able to realize my feelings of this first week's experience. When I say I am in the army that is just what I mean. You don't argue, you do just what you are told. You must be on time at every place and never absent without being sick enough to die. I was sent into a ward to work my first day. I had so many military dos and don'ts hurled at me that really I was afraid to move. There are certain captains and majors and things that come into our ward, to sort of look us over all the time, that you are supposed to stand up for or sit down for and oh a thousand other little military tricks that drive me insane. My head has been in a perfect whirl. The only thing I could get any consolation in at all was the fact that I had Saturday afternoon and Sunday to look forward to. I longed for just some time to call my own. But yesterday I came and looked at the bulletin board and this is what I saw "Miss Lentz report for inoculation Saturday afternoon, 1 p. m." Little farther down "On clean up duty

for Sunday." Clean up duty means that six of us report Sunday morning at nine thirty, sweep and dust three rooms and stay until one o'clock. No mercy, absolutely none. So here I am with swollen arm sweeping and cleaning up. I am in our amputation ward which means that practically every man in that ward has either an arm or leg off or both. At first it seemed horrible to see some of these poor youngsters hopping around on crutches with their new artificial leg which they had not yet learned to use, hanging on a strap around their neck. But gradually I am getting hardened to everything.

"It is interesting the different attitudes the men take toward the work. Some just do it because they think the aide wants them to, some because they really enjoy it, some so they may make things for their friends and some not at all.

"The aim of the hospital is to send every man back into civilian life in the best possible shape, both physically and mentally. Medical care of course is the first thing of importance but the work which comes under the head of reconstruction plays an important part as soon as the patient is able to take part in it. It begins as soon as the man comes out from under the ether. While he is still flat on his back he may be very restless and want something to occupy his mind. Here the duties of the Aide begin. She must talk to him, find an easy kind of work which will interest him. Perhaps the most popular thing is rake knitting. The fact that it is an easy process, that it goes fast and the finished products appear very quickly makes it quite popular. You can never tell to look at a man what sort of work he might choose to do or whether he would choose to do any. I shall never forget an experience I had with one man shortly after I came here. I noticed him down in the corner of my ward seemingly staring into space. It was a leg amputation case. I thought he might want something to do. He was a very big, rough looking person with a face which did not give promise of a very cheerful disposition. I timidly approached him, had a little chat with him which was mostly one sided as he did not seem to have a desire to talk. He told me he had been a coal miner before he entered the army. I gradually wound the conversation round to reconstruction work and tried to lure him into some kind of work that I thought might give him some little enjoyment and take his mind off his own worries. When I got through he said 'Now let me tell you something lady. I ain't done no work since I been here and I ain't gonna do none' I jollied him along a little bit and told him I wouldn't bother him any more. The next day I looked around to see Jones coming after me on his crutches. 'Miss Lentz' he said 'I've just been a thinkin that maybe I might make one of those rake knit bags.' It was most amusing to me but I just smiled to myself and handed him over the material and he set to work."

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Minny Hughes another of our girls is serving under the American fund for French wounded, driving the doctor and nurses to the dispen-

saries and interpreting for them. She has been over since last July. Here are some extracts from her letters which tell about her work and the people.

Sept. 27, 1918

"Last Sunday morning if you had been up at crack of dawn and in Paris you might have seen 'yours truly' embarking for the country. We packed the big touring car to the brim with suit cases and bags and then sat on top of baggage. I have been to Toule and if you read the papers you know that things are on the move there. Also I went through Chateau-Thierry forever famous now because of our wonderful marines. We went along the famous Marne for miles and of course saw the old trenches and wire entanglements and things and things and things. We reached Nancy and spent the night there and next morning I was sent with an old camion and a doctor to Neuves Maisons. That is my home now. In our household there are two nurses and a doctor. You see my job is to drive them from one dispensary to another all over the country side. And I act as official interpreter between the nurses and doctors and people. There are six dispensaries and people from forty different villages come. The American fund has opened these dispensaries for the children, the Red Cross supplies the doctor and the American fund the nurses and support. Some of the women walk twelve miles with their sick children to get the help and treatment. The people in our village are so grateful that they supply us with the best house in the village free of rent and had electric lights put in and gave us a cook. They never tire of doing things for us. We get into some of these old farm houses and some of them are terrible holes, and yet almost always there will be one or two pieces of wonderful old furniture. Hand carved pieces that look as if they were carved out of the same piece of wood.

Nov. 19, '18

A week ago today it was that we all stopped work here in Lorraine and tried to realize that this thing was over. There is so much to tell I never know where to begin. As long ago as the Friday before peace was declared some French officers stood in the middle of the street at Post St. Vencent, a town we pass through going to one of the dispensaries, and stopped our car by waving flags, then ran up to us beaming and cried, "C'est fini." We couldn't believe it but went home rejoicing and up our long hill to the house as fast as old Henry would puff. We ran at once to our great neighbors next door, the Schnieders (it's a French name) and all took hold of hands and danced around. They always say if it hadn't been for the Americans the Boche would all be in France and we say if the French hadn't held in '14 at the Marne the Boche would have been in America. Then we shout "Vive la France" and they shout "Vive l' Amerique."

The real news didn't reach us till Monday morning after the armistice had really been signed. The whistles blew and the church bells

rang but that was only the least of it. You should have seen peoples faces, they laughed and they cried, they couldn't believe it.

We have an Alsacian cook, a peasant girl. She has a dear little girl six years old. Her husband went away in fourteen at the very beginning, and she has never had a word from him since. She thinks he was taken prisoner and will come home again. When we all trooped into the house bursting with the good news, poor Caroline rushed into the kitchen and grabbed her little girl in her arms and burst into tears. It was too much for her, every one happy and she doesn't know whether it will bring back her husband or not, poor thing.

Monday afternoon we drove in to Nancy. You know there is a beautiful "Place" there. They began hanging out the flags and washing the blue off the glass of all the street lights. You see there hasn't been a ray of light in Nancy for about three years. We used to drive out from there, after the clinic, in total blackness. If you have never been in one of these bombed cities you have no idea of the blackness. The autos go without lights. You simply trust to God and go ahead. And after three years they are lighting up the "Place." You can't imagine how wonderful it seemed. I have been in the dark for six months and it filled me with unspeakable joy just to see the lights again.

The birthday convention, St. Louis, July 3-7.

LET OTHERS ADVISE OUR ASSISTANT EDITORS

WHAT'S YOURS?

If *The Palm* is not pleasing to your taste, let the editor know the plans and specifications on which your taste in *Palms* is built. He has no prejudices that will interfere with your getting what you want, if you know what it is. He is ready to help, too and will be glad of a chance. But it is no snap to run an official organ for 10,000 sphinxes; the self-assurance required of a spokesman for that kind of aggregation does not reside in this locality. So speak, if only to growl. Even a growl may be interpreted.—A T Ω, *Palm*.

S. S. T. S. R.:—Would that we had a Society for the Suppression of Trite and Superfluous Remarks. We would impose upon the criminals the reading of one large bunch of chapter letters beginning, "The summer has gone by" "Here we are back in college again" (what an unprecedented occurrence!) "Five grand and glorious pledges" (where DO they find these creatures?) etc. Now some uncanny intuition told us that "another college year has started" and by abnormally keen reasoning powers we worked out the fact that "once more, time is here for the chapter letter." One thing, however, which no one would have guessed (not even an exchange editor) is that "we miss our last

year's seniors." Who would have suspected it? Just to illustrate what we are talking about we may confine some future Panhellenic Survey to such remarks.—K K T, *Key*.

PEACE

When the last of the stories are written,
And the last drop of ink penned and dried,
And the last brilliant thoughts have been thought of,
And the chapter's deeds all glorified,
We shall rest—and perhaps we shall need it,
Throw worry and trouble sky high
For this letter is through
And another's not due,
Until May or June or July.

—K Δ, *Angelos*.

The usual chapter letter leaves much to be desired from the point of view of style. If the chapter letters are a fair sample, life in the chapter houses must be mighty dull and humdrum. Make your letter a real representative of your chapter life—put some of that life into it.—K A, *Journal*.

WE WANT NEWS

Every reader of this magazine is a potential reporter. As a matter of fact he must be for we have no such person as a regular reporter. And we must have news.

You read or hear something about a brother and are interested. Send that item to the magazine! The rest of us do not know about it. If you had done so during the last month, this number would have been much better and somewhat earlier.

Obviously the Editor cannot go around and gather news, but he can receive it and distribute it. We take for granted that you want to know what other Fijis are doing; at the present time you are particularly interested in those who are at the front, or in the service in any capacity. You hear a story about one of them or one of them writes to you; you keep it to yourself. That's one way. You hear something interesting from one of them and send it to the magazine and all of us enjoy it. That's the other way. Paradoxically speaking, there are no two ways about it: we ask you for that story, item, article, picture, or whatever it was that you found interesting. The Fraternity demands it, the readers request it, and the Editor simply begs for it. Please.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

"You are a perfect autocrat with that magazine," a frank fraternity sister said to the surprised Editor a short time ago. "I'd hate to write anything for you, and have it marked up like that."

Upon which half-jocular remark the Editor pondered long.

Perhaps, *To Dragma* should not maintain a literary standard. Perhaps, when some enthusiastic but ungrammatical chapter editor sends an impossible sentence concerning "the darlingest pledges on earth," and containing three relative clauses in succession, each modifying the one preceding, that sentence should be allowed to stand as it is. Possibly moralizing (and some correspondents *love* moralizing) should receive approbation and no cutting. Perhaps, long poems extolling the virtues of a friend and fellow senior should be given space, impossible as they are from the standpoint of poetry.

But the Editor admits that she cannot see the matter in that light. She feels that *To Dragma*, if it cannot be truly called literary, should not at least fall into the habit of allowing poor English, careless sentence structure, sentimental and trite expressions, and poems which are not poems to taint its pages. The

Editor wants enthusiasm and spirit, but she must ask to be allowed to blue pencil where she sees fit.

In her opinion *To Dragma* is a magazine, edited as are other magazines. Contributions are always welcome, but if they cannot rightly be printed without penciling, then they must be penciled, and cut if need be.

Therefore, you poets whose poems appear in prose, you weather chroniclers who look in vain for your descriptions of rainstorms and your eulogies on spring, you enthusiastic writers who love the Miltonic sentence, but know too little how to construct it, and all you who deal in sentimentality and superlatives—forgive a penitent but resolute Editor whose New England conscience and whose reverence for rhetoric dictate her autocracy.—A O II, *To Dragma*.

To the Chapter Reporters:

Will those of you who left the commas, quotation marks, and other punctuation out of your chapter letters please send them in as soon as possible? I have lent you some of mine until the October issue is out but, of course, I can't afford to be short in January. I figure I will need about forty commas, twenty hyphens, two or three semicolons, and a whole lot of quotation marks.—THE EDITOR, A Δ II, *Adelphean*.

Some *Palm* reporters write too much; others not enough. The chapter letters in this number, for instance, contain all the facts originally sent in, and all the literary charm; but they are shorter, in the aggregate, by some two thousand words. From a few, whole pages were scrapped without the loss of an idea or a fact. These are stirring times. Is the stir manifest in the chapter letter? Unfortunately the uniformity of the printed page robs that section of the *Palm* devoted to chapter letters of the infinite variety shown by the copy. Some in pencil, some in purple ink or green, some typed on good machines, and some clawed through thrashers, some on one side of white paper, some on both sides of scraps any color; some with lines far apart and margins wide, others with the t's stepping on the tails of y's and g's and with no margins at all; some indicating where the letters came from and what chapters they tell about and others not. But the worst of these are infinitely better than no letters at all. Literary composition has not flourished in the colleges of late, and many shortcomings must be forgiven, but *Palm* reporters ought to turn over a leaf this New Year's, though they ought to write on only one side of it.—A T Ω, *Palm*.

STANDARDS FOR GRADING CHAPTER LETTERS

"Promptness"—be on time!

"Facts," not "Great Expectations" or "Pipe Dreams."

"Journalistic Sense"—direct and intimate narrative.

Separate pages of Alumni notes, military news, lists of marriages and deaths.

Mechanical but important details; typewriting, punctuality, spelling, punctuation, heading. The use of nicknames and abbreviations is poor form, too.

Many a reporter this time lost his opportunity by the omission of one or more of these points. "Watch Your Step!"—Σ N, *Delta*.

How would you like to read your chapter letter before your college Panhellenic? Be fair to the other fellow; don't appropriate all the superlatives.—K Δ, *Angelos*.

EDITOR ONLY—OTHERS PLEASE SKIP

If your contributions are late,
Or without sufficient postage,
Or on correspondence paper,

Or written with pen and ink,
 Or incomplete,
 Or incorrect,
 Or poorly composed,
 Think not
 That we will leave them out,
 Or return them,
 Or throw them into the waste basket,
 Or print your name as punishment.
 We will keep our temper,
 Pay extra postage,
 Wait as long as possible,
 Rewrite them,
 Type them,
 Rearrange and recompose them;
 But we'll always remember that—
 Careless girls have few friends, folks can't be bothered with them;
 Irresponsible girls betray the confidence of their fraternity and are not to
 be trusted in office;
 Procrastinatory editors are unworthy of our ideals and we do not honor them;
 But we say again
 We will not print your names
 And thus admit to other Greeks as well as to ourselves
 That any such as these belong to
 Alpha Gamma Delta.—via K K Γ, *Key*.

Is yours the biggest delegation at convention? If not,
 why not?

In the *Atlantic* for March Cornelia Stratton Parker, Omega, begins a most intimate, charming narrative of the life and work of her distinguished husband, Carlton Parker. This *American idyll* will be especially interesting to Thetas, since its romance began in one of our chapter houses. Dr Parker, was the younger brother of another well-known Theta, Helen Parker Finch, also of Omega.

CHAPTER NEWS

It can be done. What can be done? The news of the year given interestingly and in the space allotted to a chapter letter. See Eta's letter as proof that one chapter knows the difference between news and just talk and has an editor that keeps instructions in mind even if they were issued some months previous to their use. Thank you, Eta. Bring your receipt to convention and admit your co-editors to the secret, for the everlasting benefit of future editors-in-chief.

For typed copy we thank, Delta, Eta, Kappa, Mu, Psi, Alpha Eta, Alpha Lambda, Alpha Mu, Alpha Nu, Alpha Xi, Alpha Rho, Alpha Upsilon, Alpha Psi, Beta Delta, Beta Epsilon.

For promptness in getting copy in we thank EVERY CHAPTER but the two that have "no letter" records—namely Rho and Alpha Gamma, even when a special extra notice about this issue's letter was sent every chapter.

There are some other clouds in the sky too.

Letters with no headings came from Gamma, Delta, Kappa, Lambda, Chi, Omega, Alpha Lambda, Alpha Mu, Alpha Xi, Alpha Pi, Alpha Phi, Beta Beta, Beta Gamma. Wrongly headed letters came from Tau, Alpha Theta, Alpha Nu, Alpha Omicron, Alpha Sigma, Alpha Omega.

Whisper it low, but Tau, Alpha Psi, Alpha Omega, and Beta Delta can't spell Panhellenic; and Gamma, Delta, Alpha Xi and Alpha Upsilon can't spell *alumnæ*.

Four chapters do not know that some years ago convention put a taboo on the non-existing word "sorority"—they are Phi, Psi, Alpha Theta, and Alpha Lambda.

Is there a real paper famine at Northwestern, California, Oregon, Cincinnati, and Pittsburgh, if not how account for the note paper, and other outlaw sized paper used by chapter editors from those colleges? And margins, where are they?

One editor, Alpha Pi's, does not know the printer's horror of copy written on two sides of a sheet.

And *alumnæ* be not too much shocked, but Kappa Alpha Theta has 15 chapters in *schools*. Beta, Gamma, Delta, Upsilon Alpha Theta, Alpha Iota, Alpha Mu, Alpha Nu, Alpha Xi, Alpha Omicron, Alpha Pi, Alpha Sigma, Alpha Tau, Alpha Chi, and Alpha Omega are no longer in colleges but just in schools, if the editors are to be believed. Verily the war has had disastrous effect on higher education so to have reduced the standards of so many of the recently proud and famous universities of our land.

ALPHA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

Track teams are beginning to stir about to get up their wind for the spring meets. The women of the university are getting in form for their gymnasium exhibition, April 4. Plans are being made for an unusually pretentious affair. Preliminary practices also are being held for the women's May-Day track meets. College records in seven out of the eleven track events staged on that day are held by Thetas.

Alpha was happy to have Miss Mary Ashby, Grand vice-president, attend initiation on February 1. She gave a splendid toast at the banquet which followed the services. Miss Grace Philputt, District president, is coming soon to make us a little visit.

Helen Lesh was chosen as Young Women's Christian association representative from De Pauw to attend the national Young Women's Christian association convention held at Chicago in February. At the convention she met Thetas from all over the United States and had such interesting chats with them. Laura Martin had the leading part in Galsworthy's *The Mob*, presented by Duzer Du March 21 and 22. Margaret George, Mary Jane Hogshire, and Cassandra Love have also had parts in the play. Doris Campbell has been elected to the executive board of the Woman's athletic association. Elizabeth Horner and Elizabeth Iliff have been elected to Tusitala, an honorary literary society. Elizabeth Horner has been made class poet.

Plans are under way for a spring house-party and formal, to be given sometime in May. Mothers'-day is to be the second week-end in May.

Margaretta Stevenson

'20 Anah Webb of Bedford, Ind. visited the chapter house the week-end of Mar. 21.

BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

As is customary in Beta, the freshmen gave a party to the upper-classmen. At noon, we were fairly pushed out of the chapter house by our enthusiastic, energetic freshmen. At six, we entered a transformed house. All the ear-marks of a summer hotel greeted us. The curly headed bell-hop, the gum-chewing magazine girl, and the obliging clerk cared for us. No caricature from the proverbial honeymooners to the grouchy old man with the gout, from the languishing vampire to the simpering summer case was absent. Tables, with dainty shades and place cards, lined the walls. A "jazz" orchestra was hidden in one corner. Waiters hurried to and fro serving ices and drinks. Yes—it was a transformed Theta house. Clever specialties filled the evening. The party served as an occasion for the presenting of the freshman gift—a floor lamp with a black and gold shade. It was "unveiled" as they sang *Shine out, oh black and gold*.

A week later came Black cat night. Silence week followed this, and then on February 13 came initiation. The following girls were

initiated: Louise Ashbaucher, Anna Brandon, Jane Vorhis, Mary Painter, Marie Fields, Marjorie Kunkle, Helen Sparks, Helen Thomas, Jean McPherson, Janet Woodburn, Harriet Rowles, Mary White, and Margaret Shumann.

March 15 was our annual rush-house-party. A Saint Patrick's dance marked its climax.

Spring term began with a shadow over it. Dr Campbell, the head of the music department died after a very short illness, of pneumonia. He will be greatly missed as he was the inspiration in the college music world.

To look forward to, we have Father's-day, Mother's-day, Kite day, and best of all, preparations for convention. We all want to attend this year, in fact a large number are anticipating it as a reality.

As for inter-fraternity activities, Panhellenic holds its regular monthly meetings. We still exchange six dinner-guests every other week. Plans for a Panhellenic scholarship cup are being discussed. Student government is again being agitated. Through the influence of Dean Agnes Wells and The Woman's league, of which Louise Stubbins is president, the idea is nearing a reality.

As for the morale of our fraternity, not enough can be said for the influence which our chaperon, Mrs C. C. Barnett, has exerted. This is her second year with us. Maybe it is because she is a Theta, too, that she has been so untiring in her assistance with our everyday problem. Through her, Sunday evening tea in the library has become an almost fixed custom, and our house, has acquired a real "homey" atmosphere.

30 March 1919

Mary Jane Carr

'06 Born, Mar. 8, to Mr and Mrs S. B. Harding (Margaret Snodgrass) a son, John Snodgrass Harding.

'21 Mary Stubbins has had to leave college this term because of influenza.

'23 Jean McPherson has left college because of the illness of her father.

'16-ex Hilda Cyne Burkholder is living in Louisville, Ky. Her husband is located at Camp Zachary Taylor.

'18 Lucile Gray was married to J. P. Frazee Jr. Feb. 12. She is now living at Rushville, Ind.

'18 Hattie Corey is now living in Angus, Ind.

'18 Ruth Innis is spending the winter in Miami, Fla.

'18 Marguerite Walcott is a member of the English department at Monticelle, Ind.

'18 Josephine Piercy will take her masters degree in English this year.

'18 Edna Corr is teaching in Bloomington, Ind.

'18 Mildred Hatch is a chemist for Proctor and Gambel in Cincinnati.

'17-ex Mildred Camp Hull (Mrs Lair) announces the birth of a son, Charles.

'10 Genevieve Brown visited the chapter recently.

The following alumnae were present at Beta's spring house-party; '18 Mary Wheeler, '15 Ruth Hendrick Miller, '19-ex Mozelle Stubbs Erhart, '19 Betty Klinsick Maddock, '20-ex Ruth Lindorfer, '20-ex Harriet Clark, '18-ex Florence Buschmann, '19 Dorothy Ford.

'18 Mary R. Wheeler is at home this winter.

We announce the pledging of Pearl Lowrey of Winamac, Ind.

GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

When we begin to count them, it seems that Gamma has indulged in a great many festivities.

We started the new year right by our annual open house in the afternoon at the home of Mrs Katherine Jameson Lewis and Lydia Jameson. It was well attended by both faculty and students.

In the evening, we gave our turn at the Severin—seventy-five couples were present. The hall was attractively decorated in black and gold with an electric Theta Kite at one end and a large Theta seal at the other. The programs were black with gold seal, and these with tiny favors of misseltoe were given by little pages dressed in black and gold. Many guests from other chapters in the state enjoyed the evening with us.

On February 15 at the home of Mrs Jewett our freshmen gave their stunt for the alumnae. It made us more proud of our To-Be-Thetas than ever. Maurine Watkins, a senior, pledged in September, wrote the stunt, which told of the trials of a love sick young man in selecting a valentine for his lady. The maid in the shop brought out valentines galore. Girls with Kappa, Pi Phi, Tri Delt, Delta Gamma and various other kinds of hearts, but he was hard to please, and it was only when the girl with a Theta heart appeared that he was completely satisfied. There was a great deal of dancing and singing, which, with the artistic costumes of the valentines, made it one of the best stunts ever given by a group of our pledges.

At mid-year we pledged Katherine Furnam of Marshall, Illinois, Dorothy Wilson of Colorado, and Gretchen Craig of Indianapolis.

At the beginning of the new term initiation was held at the home of Laura Pantzer. Gladys Wamsby, Ruth Ranier, Josephine Wolling, Mary Bell Haines, and Grace McGovern were the initiates. Afterwards they were given a spread and showered with the attention which they had worked so hard as pledges to earn.

Then on March 17 the chapter gave an informal dance at the home of Ann Lowhead which was an all-round good time.

Although we have been playing, we've been working too and are glad to report that Kappa Alpha Theta headed the scholarship list for the term.

College seems to be going much the same as ever. The boys are coming back from overseas and the home camps and most of them are re-entering college.

We have done little war work of late, because the calls have been few. However Thetas furnished the program for the afternoon recital at the Omor Bundy club a few weeks ago—Mary Louise Rumpler and Frieda Stineman sang and Josephine Wolling and Kathryn Turney read.

Gamma has become interested in the movement for the betterment of child labor in our state. The child labor bill, which was introduced,

did not pass the last session of the legislature so the women of Indianapolis are coming together to see what can be done for the children of the city. Each organization has representatives on the committee; Mrs Krull, Mrs Murphey, Gertrude Ellenwood, Louise Stewart, Blanch Alsop and Kathryn Turney are representing Theta in the city wide movement.

During the second week of March we were very fortunate to have Dr Blake of Philadelphia, who is connected with the Social hygiene department of the Young Women's Christian association, lecture to the girls of Butler on the care of the physical and spiritual self. Her lectures were splendid and we were more than glad to know that she wears a Theta Kite.

29 March 1919

Kathryn Turney

'18 Mildred and Eline Morgan are visiting in California.

DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Along with her work, Delta has had a most pleasing and profitable year. After the storm of rushing was over, and we had pledged fourteen fine girls, we began to concentrate our efforts both in the chapter and on the campus.

In the Fourth Liberty loan we pledged ninety-five bonds, amounting to \$4750.00 and as a result won the prize offered, which was a \$50 bond. During the United war campaign post cards received from prisoners within the German lines were auctioned off, Delta purchased five of these cards for \$100.

We have a new Mason and Hainlin grand piano this year of which we are very proud. The freshman gift was a Victrola.

Formal initiation was held February 10. The following girls were initiated—Zenda Bramble, Harriet Burnap, Dorothy Cassingham, Virginia Frisbee, Muriel Gray, Jeanette Hovey, Ethel Jones, Katherine Kemp, Edith Hill, Margaret Petritz, Helen Russel, and Julia Thompson. On February 13 we initiated Frances Sconce who had been absent on February 10.

Founders'-day the alumnae gave the chapter a dinner at the house. We all enjoyed being together and meeting many new sisters.

We have been quite active on the campus this year. Marie Crowe is managing editor of the *Illio*, the university annual. Dorothy Gibson is woman's editor. Harriet Fera and Frances Sconce have both been chosen on the staff. Martha Humphrey has been elected president of Young Women's Christian association. Harriet Fera has been elected sophomore vice president. Several of our girls took part in *The Follies*, stunt show given for the war campaign fund.

We are busy now with plans for convention. Many girls are planning to attend.

Thursday, February 6, the freshmen gave as their stunt to the active chapter and alumnae, a minstrel show, entitled the *Jazzbelarious Jazz-*

berries, at which calkwalking, clog dancing and popular songs furnished the main part of the three ring circus. Each end man, resplendent in gleaming celluloid collars, and white gloves, with most attractive names, such as "Ivan Awful Itch," and "Ima Lunie Tick," kept the audience in peals of laughter with local color jokes, while the other ebony Jazzberries were not slow in following the example. A most touching and heart throbbing solo was rendered in true dialect by the leading lady, Iona Dill Pickle, and she was immediately awarded the stead heated Valentine for being the most vampish lady in the cast. The intricate steps of the clog dances and cake walks, were excellently performed with skill and agility, mostly agility, by the fastidious gentlemen, Martini High Ball Bones, and I Crava Gin Rikky. While Desire A Beevo, eager not to be outdone by his energetic fellows, rolled the ivories, mere domino sugar cubes. The stunt was short and snappy, went off with a bang, and the gay rollicking jazzberries jazzed off in a snake dance, returning with trays of salad and sandwiches for the guests. The party broke up with a jolly laugh, as the last nigger face vanished out of sight with, "Well, we hope yo' suah had one fine, large time, foh we suanhuff did any how!"

Delta has started the custom of entertaining the alumnae at tea, the first Sunday night in the month, followed by a song fest. The teas are proving a huge success from the standpoint of alumnae and member alike; nothing is so cozy as a cup of fragrant tea and jolly Theta songs. We hope it becomes a standing tradition with Delta.

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Virginia D. Frisbee

'18 The engagement of Bernice McNair and John Davis, K Σ, has been announced.

'20 The engagement of Dorothy Gibson to Carl Lenz, Φ K Ψ, Dartmouth, has announced this spring.

'21 Jean Egbert has returned to college this quarter.

'21 Ruth Fruland is in college again after an absence of two years.

Helen Ingersol, Psi, was a week end guest Feb. 18.

Evelyn Wiley, Alpha, was a week end guest Feb. 28.

'19 Josephine D. Green has been elected to Signia honorary scientific fraternity.

'19 Marie L. Cronin and Harriet McCormick have been pledged to Theta Sigma Phi, women's honorary journalistic fraternity.

'19 Harriett Y. Burnap has been elected to Mask and Bauble, campus dramatic society.

'19 Abby Schaefer has been initiated by Omicron Nu, honorary household science fraternity.

Juanita Richardson and Edna Goettler are teaching in the Beacon School, 1440 Beacon st, Brookline, Mass.

Gertrude Sawyer is studying landscape architecture in Cambridge, Mass. Her address is Brattle Inn, Cambridge.

Mrs Mary Greene Griffin is studying at Radcliffe college, Cambridge, Mass.

All roads lead to St. Louis the week-end of July 3.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

We have been admonished to be brief, "telegraphic" was the word. It is difficult, with much to say, but so be it.

As for college in general. We are getting back into the old pre-war college spirit once more; the boys are thronging back; khaki is almost a thing of the past; barracks are slipping down and away; and the campus is losing its military aspect. 'Tis good to be here.

President Hutchins has resigned, the resignation to go into effect July 1, after nine years of faithful, efficient service.

As for our chapter. Small fall initiation November 9. Initiates: '19 Margaret Wikoff, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; '20 Gertrude Gripman (sister-in-law of our Ruby Severance Gripman), Coldwater; '20 Helen Monroe, Grand Haven; '21 Margaret Van Sickie, Detroit. And to our gain and others' loss, we affiliated Ruth Larimer '19 and Irene Peers '21 of Alpha Upsilon, and Helene Judson '20 of Alpha Delta.

We are the proud possessors of a fine new Victrola, Christmas gift of Mrs Clark and Cornelia.

'22 Rebecca Condon, Hancock, is our promising new pledge.

Our freshman class gave us a splendid house dance March 7.

Regular spring initiation March 15. Seven more fine new Thetas are flying the kite. '21 Helen Jean Fisher, Houghton; '22 Elizabeth Schieffelin (sister of Laura), Wellsboro, Pennsylvania; Julia Peterson (sister of Marian '15), Ann Arbor; Elizabeth Phillips, Goshen, New York; Finette Martin and Helen MacIntosh, Toledo, Ohio; Esther Lyons, Owosso.

Initiation banquet was a merry one with many of our alumnae back. Kathryn Sherwood Roberts '15, officiated so well as toastmistress. We wish the alumnae who were with us and many others would come often and stay longer. According to custom, our Semper Fideles loving cup appeared at the close of the banquet with two bright new names engraved thereon, Constance Winchell '18, and Doris Porter '18.

We were most delightfully entertained at a luncheon given March 22 by the Detroit alumnae chapter at the home of Mrs Lowrie '99.

HEAR YE! Eta Alumnae-day May 25; come one, come all; open house, good cheer; bring husbands and babies, and join the reunion of Eta Thetas, old and young.

Needless to say, we ALL wish we could go to convention, that we might each personally share in the inspiration and good times there. We expect to be well represented, however, for aside from our official delegate, at least five of the other girls are planning to go.

28 March 1919

Mabel E. Wilson

'06 Nan Mulheron is in France, one of nine chosen to take charge of regional libraries abroad.

'12 Gladys Vedder spent a week with us in March while on leave from Camp Merritt.

We grieve the loss of Grace Koons, who died Nov. 10.

'12 Leona Riorden Hart has moved to Pelham, N. Y.

Eta extends deepest sympathy to Clara Jones, who lost her mother last Oct.

'14 Freda Zorn and Francis Vedder, Δ T '18, were married Oct. 12. They are living in Ann Arbor.

'14 Frances Lakin is in France in connection with the Y. M. C. A. canteen service.

Lucile Titus Kohler and husband are living in New York.

We enjoyed so much having Ruth McCandell of Hoi How, Hainan, China, as our guest for a couple of days last fall. She was on her way east, where Jan. 5 she and Dr Herbert A. Judson were married at Basking Ridge, N. J.

'15 Annie Williams is in France doing hospital hut work.

'17 Marian Peterson has accepted the position of dietician in the Swedish hospital at Minneapolis, Minn. her duties to begin April 1.

Elizabeth Avery and Kathryn Davis graduated in Feb.

'19 Mary J. Tinsman has announced her engagement to Dr Merle R. Hoon, Φ X '18, University of Pittsburgh.

'19 Eleanor Hanley has announced her engagement to Prescott Smith, Sinfonia '19.

Helen Monroe and Gertrude Gripman are taking part in the junior girls' play, a performance given every year by the juniors in honor of the seniors.

Marian Spaulding is secretary of the sophomore class.

Back for initiation: Myra Post Cady, Jeanette Sayre Canfield, Kappa, Grace Moore Walser, Leona Belzer, Agnes Carpenter, Lois Douglas Weaver, Ruby Severance Gripman, Margaret Irving Wallace, Kathrun Sherwood Roberts, Esther Cook, Edith Harvey, Dorothea Warren, Elizabeth Avery.

Married, Sept. 7, 1918, Elfrieda Weitz and Bernard P. Ruetenik.

IOTA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Iota looks back upon a year that was been very prosperous but lacking in any striking events. College did not open until October 7 and we were kept busy during the fall first with supplying nurses for the "flu" and then with the rushing season which added ten splendid girls to our chapter. Our initiation banquet, at one of the city hotels, was the one social event in which we have indulged, although we are now making plans for a faculty tea in April. The Christmas party, of course, was a merry affair.

Iota is contributing toward the support of the women's college at Constantinople.

Three of our girls are members of Phi Beta Kappa, Helen Carmalt having been elected this spring.

The chapter's appetite for "five pound boxes" has been supplied most generously by seven of the girls, active and alumnae.

Twelve girls have been living in the chapter house. Many guests have been invited informally to dinner and have enjoyed its attractiveness as well as ourselves. We are proud to look forward to closing the year entirely free from debt.

Conditions at the university are again normal. Commencement this June takes place with much more pomp and ceremony than usual, for the celebration of Cornell's semi-centennial anniversary is being planned for that time.

1 April 1919

Gladys F. Gilkey

'06 Olive Whitson, who is connected with the Hudson Guild, New York city, has been taking some special work at Cornell during the second term of this year.

'14 Louise Bontecou Kinney is being congratulated upon the birth of a son.

'15 Helen Bennett has announced her engagement to T. D. Hall, Cornell '15.

'17 Helen Tiebout has announced her engagement to J. Arthur Whitecotton, Cornell '16.

'17 Jean Holmes Stanton has moved to Detroit, Mich.

'17 Editha Cora Smith has announced her engagement to Erle Fairfield of Worcester, Mass.

'18 Elsie S. Church has been doing canteen work in France this winter.

'18 Madeleine K. Church has announced her engagement to Dr H. D. Reed of the Dept. of Zoology, Cornell.

'18 Catherine Coville Woodburn has moved to Pasadena, Cal.

'19 Ellen Marx has announced her engagement to Arthur L. Stern, Cornell '17.

'19 Gladys F. Gilkey has announced her engagement to James Birdsall Calkins, Cornell '16.

'20 Gladys Douds has announced her engagement to Lowell C. Drake, Allegheny '17.

Married, April 19, Margaret Connor and Lieut Edward David Vosbury, U. S. Air Service.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

It's a long way to 93, it's a long way to go.

It's a long way to 93, to the highest grade we know.

Good-bye dear old Pi Phi, farewell K. K. G.

It's a long long way to 93—but trust K. A. T.

With hilarious voices, we members of Kappa, one day in February, were singing this song. Our faces were beaming with broad grins, our eyes shining with excitement,—for we had for the third time won the scholarship cup. "For the third time" means three consecutive years, and against the very fiercest of competition. Oh, how the other fraternities have penalized their "Class-cutting" freshmen, how the older members have studied! But we Thetas looked neither to right nor left, kept right on "pegging" and, sure enough, when the grades came out, there we were at the top, with a percentage of 93, two whole points ahead of our nearest competitor. Now, the big silver scholarship cup is ours to keep, to show to awe-inspired visitors and freshmen, to inspire every incoming class to scholarly endeavor. No wonder we sang for joy.

We are also very proud of our seniors this year. Every one of them a fine representative girl. We have Faye Dodderidge managing a big Y. W.-Y. M. party on the hill, as well as many small affairs; Frances Hitchcock conducting an interesting Women's forum and actively taking part in three clubs; Helen Wagstaff elected to Torch, the most honorary organization for senior women in the university.

Serious things are not our only occupation, either. Five of us were chosen to be members of the K.U. Follies' cast. We intend to give a big spring party in May and a small party for the town girls before that time.

Edna Rising

Helen Robinson, Dorothy Riddle, Helen Topping, Carolyn McNutt Root (Mrs A. M.) and Maria Slade visited us in Feb.

Born Feb. 12 to Capt and Mrs Robert S. Beard (Marianne Brooke), a son. Louise Alder is teaching in Lawrence high school.

'17 Irma Louise Wilhemi was married to Mr Charles Rudolph Nesbitt, Mar. 15, in Lawrence. Address: Miami, Okla.

'17 Dorothy Miller of Topeka visited us Mar. 17-19.

'18 Julian Senhausen is doing social service work for the government in Leavenworth.

ex-'18 Katherine Johnson is at Barnard college and will receive her degree there.

ex-'17 Katherine Keizer is in New York city with her sister, this winter.

'16 Mabel and Ida Perry are in Albuquerque, N. M.

'10 Edna Gafford Porter (Mrs George), Minneapolis, Kan. has a baby girl, born Jan. 30.

'09 Iva Spaulding Morris (Mrs Glen) has moved to Kansas City, Mo. Address: 3014 E. 37th st.

Died, Mar. 23, LaJunta, Colo. Dr Frank Finney, husband of Grace Houtelin Finney.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

We have finally, in spite of the influenza and its attendant quarantine, pledged eleven splendid freshmen. The time was so long, and the delays so unexpected and disheartening, that we had almost given up hope. But they were indeed worth waiting for. Stunt night trials held no terrors for them. They went into every one with such zest that the evening was just one frolic from beginning to end. The climax came, when they staged for us a dramatic rendering of *Alice in Wonderland*. All Alice's old friends were present, even to the Mock Turtle and the Gryphon. The King and Queen of Hearts held court in truly regal fashion. But Alice, contrary to all our childhood notions, turned out to be a worn, spectacled college grind. Now we are looking forward eagerly to initiation.

March 15 Hope Davis Mecklin came to see us for the week-end, and such a delightful time as we did have! The only thing that marred our happiness was the thought that week-ends are so short. How we envy the Alpha Omega girls, who have her all the time!

Mary Bishop

MU—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

On November 15 the sophomores entertained us in the rooms with a dinner which they had prepared. They had worked hard and the result of their efforts was a good time for all.

The seniors gave a Christmas party in the rooms, December 14. Helen Adams, as Santa Claus, distributed the gifts from the tree. The seniors gave us a dozen cups and saucers and the juniors gave us a dozen napkins. In addition each one received some trifle with an appropriate verse attached.

On January 18, we were entertained by the freshmen in the rooms. Time passed quickly with games, stunts, and refreshments. Toward

the end of the evening, the freshmen presented us with a pair of screens of which we were sadly in need.

Mu announces the pledging of Gertrude Stuntz '22, of Girard, Pennsylvania, on February 15.

The following girls have been initiated: Ruth Tuck, Cleveland, Ohio; Elizabeth MacLaren, Warren; Helen Andrews, Conneaut Lake; Lucile Bly, Jamestown, New York; Martha Brown, Tionesta; Winsome Brown, Cochran; Marie Charlton, Dorothy McKinney, and Alta Postance, Meadville; Martha Shall, Vandergrift; and Gertrude Stuntz, Girard; all freshmen, but Helen Andrews, sophomore. According to our custom we served breakfast in the rooms the morning after initiation.

Klee-O-Kleet, the girls' dramatic club, is to give *Pomander Walk*. Elizabeth Carew '20, Susan Jenkins '20, Helen King '20, Helen Andrews '21, and Elizabeth MacLaren '22, are on the cast.

Plans are under way for our formal spring party which we are to give at Saegertown Inn, May 3. We expect to make of it a glorious good time as we have not had one for two years. The chapter enjoyed a bacon-bat in a near-by ravine, one of several such events we hope to have this spring.

The town girls entertained the hall girls at a progressive St. Patrick's day dinner. The soup course was served at Florence Papenhagen's '20, the dinner by Marie Charlton '22, the salad by Vesta Johnson '19, and the desert by Helen Andrews '21. At our last stop we spent a merry evening. We received delightful place cards and favors at each place. Mrs Webb and Helen Adams, our alumna adviser, were guests.

Mary D. Hilderbrand

The following alumnae attended initiation: '90 Miss Rebecca Cooper; '98 Mrs A. G. Trumbull (Iota); '00-ex Mrs C. L. Webb (Josephine Bates); '10 Grace Miller, Lottie Hammett; '12 Augusta Gibbons; '15 Agnes MacMahon, Mrs George Nichols (Marie Howell), Mrs Albert Caldwell (Josephine Singley), Mrs Paul Johnston (Dorothea Abrams); '16 Helen Adams; '16-ex Alice Hawkey; '17 Mildred Richey, Mary Flahaven; '17-ex Rachel Cleveland; '18 Ruth Brumbaugh, Anne McConnell, Norene Saxton, Janet Simcox; '18-ex Jessie Howell, Florence Peterson.

'13 Born to Mr and Mrs Wm. J. Dotterer (Dorothy Sansom) a son, William.

'17 Agnes Robinson visited the chapter the week of Nov. 24.

'18 Dorothy Nichols is doing settlement work in Cleveland, Ohio. Address: 2723 Orange av.

'18-ex Florence Peterson is nursing in New York city.

'19-ex Gladys Douds visited the chapter the week end of Feb. 23.

'20-ex Elizabeth Burwell is doing research work with the Mayo clinic in Rochester, Minn.

OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Peace is bringing back the old time parties and festivities and those who are so necessary to real good times, our college men. In fact with their return, the University of Southern California has become

a different place. The men are putting all the enthusiasm which they have been devoting to the activities of war into the activities of the university. College organizations and college athletics are waking out of a sleep as sound as that of Rip Van Winkle.

Recently the whole university joined in presenting a vaudeville which was quite the occasion of the year. Helen Hargis and Jean Wallace took part in a couple of skits. Margaret McKee entertained with whistling solos. Our college paper, *The Trojan*, which is being published once more, has Jean Wallace, Myrna Ebert and Jacqueline Edwards on its staff. Betty Hughes is secretary of the junior class and has the lead in the junior play, *All of a Sudden Peggy*, to be given in May.

The pledges were initiated February 22. The initiation in the afternoon was followed by a lovely banquet given by the Los Angeles alumnae chapter. Over seventy Thetas, representing chapters all over the country, were there, so the initiates had a splendid opportunity to meet many of the older members. Mina Hazeltine was pledged March 1.

Our chapter entertained the alumnae of the city at a tea in the chapter house recently. Although the day set for the tea was one of those few rainy days we have in Sunny California, the afternoon was a delightful one.

We had the pleasure of meeting Mrs Tannahill, Grand president of Pi Beta Phi at a reception given at the college chapter house March 22.

Since Stanford and California universities are having a spring vacation, there are quite a few Phi and Omega girls in the city. We are expecting to have them with us at a dancing party. Among them will be Helen Double and Jane Thompson, Omicron, but now affiliated with Phi, and Mildred and Ilene Morgan, Gamma.

Elizabeth Hughes

'17 Florence Paul was married to Hallam Hance Anderson in March.
Mary McDermott, Beta Delta, was recently married to James Maffeo.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

No letter received—April 12, 1919

Born to Mr and Mrs Fred M. Deweese (Alice Towne) a daughter, Barbara Anne, Mar. 26.

SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Nearly all the fraternities have begun to give dances again and Sigma held one February 28. Helen and Margaret Walton offered us their house and the arrangements were divided among numerous committees so that it was managed without much trouble to anyone. Quite a large number of graduates were able to come and it was really very pleasant.

The most important event for the chapter was the visit of the Grand president. Mrs Mecklin arrived early Wednesday, March 19, and

stayed until the following Saturday. Her time was most fully occupied, for there were so many of us, both actives and alumnae, who all wanted to see her, and so many things we wanted her to see as well. The alumnae chapter held a meeting one evening so that Mrs Mecklin was able to meet most of the graduates who are in town at present. The college chapter was not able to hold a regular meeting but everyone saw Mrs Mecklin at one of the small parties, at lunch or tea, or when she was being shown something of our university. Then on Friday evening we had a dinner at Mary Reid's house for all the actives, and the graduates came in afterwards and spent the evening. We told Mrs Mecklin all our perplexities and she helped us greatly and brought us into closer touch with the fraternity as a whole.

Examinations begin in a month, so there will probably be only a few more meetings. The chief topics will be convention and our house-party at the end of May. It has not yet been decided where the latter is to take place.

2 April 1919

Elizabeth MacLennan

TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Since our last letter the whole atmosphere of our campus has become pre-war. Athletics, because of the return of some of the older men, have received a great impetus. Northwestern drew third place in basketball in the Big Ten conference. Not only have the men's athletics boomed but also the women's. Theta girls have been out for basketball in all four classes and as a result of the inter-class games a Northwestern girl's five was chosen and Mary Elizabeth Torance, one of our girls, made it. She also made the All Hockey team this year.

On March 7 the Campus players presented *Stop Thief* and of a cast of five women the first and second leads were taken by two Tau girls, Frances Keith and Ruth Seymour. The 1920 *Syllabus*, our annual, will be out soon. Phyllis Bartleme is quite hard at work on the Liberal Arts section of which she is the editor.

Initiation took place January 25. It was such a full day. At noon there was the Founders'-day luncheon in Chicago, then we all rushed out to Evanston for initiation, the banquet following at the Evanston hotel. All of our pledges were eligible to initiation. The list is—Mildred Barton, Elizabeth Brown, Helen Coleman, Grace Herrick, Jane Higbee, Frances Keith, Margaret Kelly, Dorothy Knight, Rebecca Lill, Dorothea Ravenscroft, Margaret Richards, Ruth Sheldon, and Esther Smiley.

During this last term we pledged Katherine True of Chicago and Katherine Craig of Evanston. On March 8, Katherine True was initiated.

Our spring vacation is March 29 to April 4. The Friday following we are giving our one dance of the year. A formal seemed rather

opposed to the reconstruction spirit, so we have planned an informal dinner-dance to be given at the Wilmette country club.

In Panhellenic there has been great agitation concerning our rushing system which all concede must be mended before next fall. No radical change has yet been made; however it is quite possible that sophomore pledging may be installed, because of the rather unusual situation of women's fraternities here this plan seems most expedient and so Tau stands in favor of it.

29 March 1919

Frances Keith

UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

This college year has been very unsettled, instead of two semesters, the year has been divided into three quarters of three months each.

The rushing plan has also been changed. There was no rushing of freshmen the first quarter. Freshmen who received no conditions or flunks the first quarter were rushed second quarter. Those who make up the subjects in which they were below may be rushed third quarter.

November 9, Lucille McNally, junior, and Estelle McNally, sophomore, New Richmond, Wisconsin, and Viva Hewett, sophomore, Billings, Montana, were pledged. November 16 and November 23 Thetas had open house after the football games.

Louise Swanson and Marion Holst were initiated November 25. Shortly after this there was another initiation for Lucille and Estelle McNally, Margaret Falconer, and Viva Hewett.

During rushing season the girls had an orchestra directed by Edith Cotton. Pledge day, February 15, brought us six freshmen: Alice McCulloch, Margaret Jackson, Bergliot Nissen, Hester McLane, Elizabeth Donlson, all of Minneapolis and Elizabeth Anderegg of Faribault.

In November, the chapter gave an informal dance at the house in honor of the girls pledged first quarter. January 1, Thetas had a formal at Malcolm's and February 5 a party in honor of the second quarter pledges.

Some of the offices held by the girls during the year are: president of the war council, Elizabeth Forssell; junior representative on the Women's athletic association, Olive Lyman; president of Cap and Gown, Katherine Hartzell. Viva Hewett and Lucille McNally were elected to Players. Lillias Hannah, Lucille and Estelle McNally were elected to Theta Epsilon literary society.

Founders'-day banquet was held at the Leamington, February 1. Thetas from North, South, East, and West were present. The entertainment between courses was delightful and some danced after the banquet.

27 March 1919

Ruth E. Lyman

'15-ex Mary Milnor has announced her engagement to Mr E. A. Purdy.

'06 Ruth Haynes Carpenter (Mrs L. S.) was elected Theta alumna representative to Panhellenic.

'14 Florence Swanson is living at the Theta house.

'18-ex Gertrude Reid has gone to Chicago for a short visit.

Miss Burner, Alpha, visited the University of Minnesota early in the fall.

Miss Pearl Greenough, Tau, has recently taken the position of Y. W. C. A. secretary at the University of Minnesota.

There are seven Alpha Pi Thetas in the Twin Cities. Some of them have made their homes here.

PHI—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Another quarter is over and we are having a week's vacation. Lake Lagunita is full for the first time in two years and our chapter has been delighted by the present of a canoe from Mr Scott Calhoun, father of one of our juniors. In his honor we have named it "The Great Scott."

More and more men are returning to the campus from service and the training camps. All the athletic teams are again getting into shape and crew is the predominant sport of the season.

A formal tea was given February 18 to introduce our new House mother, Miss Nellie Calhoun, Seattle, aunt of our convention delegate.

Post-war activities have been made interesting this last quarter by the privilege of providing entertainment for four hundred wounded soldiers, who are at the Base hospital of Camp Fremont. All the women's fraternities have cooperated in sending students to entertain the soldiers every Sunday for the last two months, and baskets of food have been regularly sent to the hospital.

Elizabeth A. Patton

'18 Marion Hill is to be married Mar. 24 in South Bridge, Mass. to Lieut Harry L. Barrett. Her home is now in Los Angeles.

'18 Katherine Cottle Gibbon has left for Washington, D. C. to meet her husband Lieut William Gibbon, who is returning from France after two years of service there.

Married: Martha Elizabeth Haven and Arthur Henry Barnhisel, Mar. 18, 1919, at Oakland, Cal.

CHI—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

With a lion of a March wind whizzing snow across the campus, I'm glad to settle down and tell you all the news. February 1, the alumnae celebrated Founders'-day at the chapter house. They not only entertained us with a clever minstrel show but gave us the promise of a vacuum cleaner. The freshmen were given their dance February 15 at which St. Valentine proved a most successful patron. February 28 twelve pledges were made full-fledged Thetas. We entertained at a tea dance March 15. After chapter meeting March 21 we all went to the Gamma Phi Beta house. Their girls provided us with royal entertainment in the shape of stunts, refreshments, and dancing.

In the recent elections Hazel Stokes '21 was elected basketball representative on the Women's athletic governing board. Millicent Cowee '20 was appointed chairman of the Social committee of Women's league. Millicent and another student have composed the music for the new Tambourine and Bones play, *Take a Tip*. Helen Sandford '19, Elizabeth McRoberts '20, Grace Morrison '21, and Theresa Hansch '21 are members of the executive committees of their respective classes. Marion Peck '20 and Millicent Cowee '20 are on the Board of editors of the *Onondagan*, the annual publication of the juniors.

Many of the men's fraternity houses are now open. The R. O. T. C. drilling and the gradually disappearing uniform are about the only visible remnants of military Syracuse.

In a series of lectures just ended several prominent authorities dealt with the problems of this readjustment period. At the weekly community dinners the ideals and problems of world citizenship were presented by able speakers. The Boar's head play, *Under Contract*, in which Kathleen Webster played a prominent rôle, was a pronounced success. The basketball season closed triumphantly with the defeat of Colgate. Syracuse is planning to put a crew on the water this spring.

31 March 1919

Marion Stranahan

Out-of-town alumnae who attended initiation banquet were: '97 Gladys Hibbard Stranahan (Mrs J. O.); '16 Irene Lewis; '17 DeEtta Holmes; '18 Alice Taylor Becker (Mrs Howard), Aletta Henderson, Helen Hutcheson, Hildred Newell, Frances Terwilliger, Helen Volckmann, Grace Watkins; ex-'21 Norma Lewis, and Fannie Niles.

The following pledges were initiated Feb. 28: Gladys Jacobson, Saratoga Springs, and Beatrice Traugott, Syracuse, both sophomores; Hazel Barnaskey, Oneida, Phyllis Britcher, Syracuse, Elizabeth Brown and Ruth Brown, Montpelier, Vermont, Pearl Fitch, Oneida, Gertrude Landy, Port Byron, Dorothy Robertson, Syracuse, Josephine Smith, Amsterdam, Vera Sweet, Phoenix, Dorothy Tallman, Syracuse, all freshmen.

'16 Louise Stewart Street (Mrs Walter) is living in Syracuse now.

'17 Anna Carhart Blanchard (Mrs Ernest) has returned from the west with her husband and is living in the city.

'17 Dora Sours visited the chapter Feb. 17.

'18 Aletta Henderson announced her engagement to H. Earl Munz, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, at the initiation banquet.

ex-'19 Born to Mr and Mrs Gladstone E. Redman (Katherine Munger) Feb. 7, a daughter who has been named Barbara Julia. Address: 4501 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago, Ill.

'19 Dorothy Dimmick was graduated in Jan. and is teaching in the high school at Williamson, N. Y.

'19 Hilda De Brine was awarded Phi Beta Kappa and elected into membership of Lambda Tau Rho, honorary Romance language society.

'19 Kathleen Webster was elected into membership of Boar's Head, dramatic society.

ex-'21 Lois Mixer visited the chapter the week end after initiation.

'22 Elise Beygrau, New York city, was pledged Mar. 21.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

The middle of February Psi had another initiation for four freshmen: Katherine Ely, Helen Cheetham, Florence Mahorney, and Katherine Wickwire.

We have had election of the chapter's officers for next year: Daphne Conover, president; Margaret Brown, vice president; Vira Winchell, corresponding secretary; Dorothy Clark, recording secretary. One of our seniors, Sarah Ashby, was elected secretary of Blue Dragon, the senior organization. Sada Buckmaster was elected secretary of the Young Women's Christian association. We have just started in the chapter a group called the Activities committee. Its chief duties are to keep the chapter posted on all university activities and opportunities, and to see that all the girls, especially the freshmen, go out for these activities. The week finishing March 1, was Green Button week-end. The freshman class gave a very attractive party for the other classes in the afternoon: In the evening Psi had a Green Button dinner for our own freshmen. Miss Oolah Burner, Alpha, and a national secretary of Young Women's Christian association was here for that week-end. Miss Ball, Alpha Beta, was with her. Miss Burner and Miss Ball both were at our chapter meeting. February 22, Psi gave an informal George Washington dance.

This year Theta has been represented in almost every activity on the campus. There has been at least one Theta on every team of each sport this year. In bowling we were especially active for there were five Thetas on the bowling teams, and we made high individual average and high individual score. We took second place in the intersorority bowling. We are represented on the circulation and business staff of the *Literary Magazine* and the *Badger*. Margaret Brown is assistant business manager of the *Badger*. Four of our girls are on the Cabinet council. A number of girls are on Student Government association committees, and the chapter as a whole is strongly pushing any opportunity for bringing the non-fraternity and fraternity girls closer together.

March 1919

Susan Brown

'15 Lucille Pritchard Rogers (Mrs L.) has moved to Cleveland.

'19-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Robert Wolfers (Ruth Stromme) a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, Mar. 7, 1919.

'18 Lucille Logan transfer from Alpha Iota to Psi, has announced her engagement to Frank Beach, Σ N.

'18 Marion Sanford who is teaching at Columbus, Wis. has visited us several times.

'93 Daisy Chadwick Bolander (Mrs Fred) called on Psi while visiting in Madison.

OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

The campus public is awaiting with a great deal of interest the final action of the Board of regents in its selection the next president of the University, as President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, after twenty-

six years of faithful service, has tendered his resignation, which is to take effect in July. Several prominent men have been suggested as possible candidates but as yet no definite step has been taken toward filling the vacancy.

A campaign is to be launched on the campus for the purpose of raising \$75,000 to help swell the Students union fund. For many years it has been a cherished hope by both faculty and students that some day we might have a students union building, devoted entirely to the use of the students and their affairs. There are to be three "units" in all, the first one to cost approximately \$250,000. At the same time that the student drive is being carried on, the alumni are also to launch a gigantic campaign throughout the state of California, and we hope by winter to see the first unit of the Union nearing completion. The building is to be a double memorial,—to those men of the university who gave their lives in France, and to President Benjamin Ide Wheeler.

After much delay on account of the postponement of the opening of college due to the epidemic, we finally were able to initiate our nine freshmen February 2. We also have a new pledge—Beth Krebs from Pasadena, who will be initiated in a couple of weeks, having already been in college six months.

On February 7, the sophomores in the house gave their annual play and curtain-raiser. Both were very clever, the former having been written by Marion Schell and the latter by Elizabeth Terry. Many alumnæ came for the event and after the plays, the alumnæ held their annual directors' meeting and tea. The entire afternoon was a very pleasant one.

We are now looking forward to the freshman show and to the annual senior-freshman banquet, both of which will be held some time before commencement, which is to be June 4.

Omega has had her share of honors this semester. Eleanor Burnham '18 was recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and Elizabeth Burnham '19 and Katherine Towle '20 to Prytanean, the honor society for upperclasswomen. Mary Brenk '19 was elected a member of Alpha Nu, the nutrition honor society.

The freshman scholarship cup for last semester was awarded to Elizabeth Bullitt.

Katherine A. Towle

ALPHA BETA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

We are honored in having had with us our Grand president, Mrs Mecklin. She came east for the purpose of interviewing Lambda Alpha of the University of Pennsylvania, who are petitioning Kappa Alpha Theta. On her arrival here Alpha Beta gave a tea at Whit-tier house so that she might meet our faculty and student body.

As a real getting together for both our alumnæ and chapter, Alpha Beta held a dance at the Marian Cricket club March 21. Now that

the war is over we felt less restrained and all joined in making it a very gay and festive evening—one well worth remembering.

Among our celebrated seniors we have Dorothy Young as president of Intercollegiate community service association and Helen Biddle as secretary of her class for this semester.

Two of our juniors, Gladys Pell and Lena Clark, have been elected to membership in Mortar Board, the honorary women's fraternity at Swarthmore. Cornelia Stabler gave March 20 *Polly with a past* as her junior recital. The chapter as well as the juniors are glad to welcome Margaret Coles back this semester to finish her college course, after spending the first half of the year at Temple university. Mary Campbell, also a junior, has been made manager of the women's athletic association for next year.

Elsa Palmer deserves the honor of being called the athletic star of the freshman class. Not only has she made the Varsity basketball team for this year but has also won second prize in the freshman gymnasium meet.

25 March 1919

Gertrude McCabe

'14 Martha Speakman has just returned from Paris, where she had charge of some French orphans. She will return to France after a six weeks' vacation with her family.

'18 Eleanor Stabler Clark (Mrs William) is residing in Swarthmore.

'15 Helen Bernshause Smith (Mrs Charles) is mother of a fine son.

'12 Caroline Smedley is now teaching trigonometry at college.

'15 Anna Miller is in France doing reconstruction work.

ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

No letter received—April 12, 1919

ALPHA DELTA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

Alpha Delta has had a glorious year, such a glorious one that we welcome Spring vacation with open arms. It began March 28 ending April 8. After Spring vacation we are planning a Mother's tea.

We had a fine time at initiation banquet, and three chapters were represented. Seven Thetas from Washington were over, two from Vanderbilt and two from Syracuse. The toast scheme was lovely. After banquet we turned off all the lights except the candles with soft pink shades. We forgot we were in a hotel and drifted for a time into Theta-land. Theta, as the fire place, was the toast scheme. The senior class toasted the alumnae chapter as the hearth; holding all the fire close together. The alumnae toasted the active chapter as the gold from the flames. The junior class toasted the senior class as the smoke, and the sophomores toasted the freshmen as new fuel for the fire. The freshmen were then asked for toasts and it was funny to see the surprised looks. After the toasts each class sang a song, and then the room rang with Theta tunes. It was a most enjoyable banquet and one to linger long in our memories.

Towards the last of February an air of mystery hung over college. Seniors walked around carrying books in paper covering; they stood in groups conversing in low tones; these tones would fade away if an underclassman came near. Suddenly one bright morning the cloud was lifted for there in Goucher hall a bright poster announced senior dramatics; *Le Bourgeoise Gentil' homme* by Moliere. Rita Winkelman, Roberta Tener and Katherine Helfrich had prominent rôles in the play.

Out of six freshmen chosen for short story contest, three were Thetas. Hope Nelson, won first place, and Dorothy Buddy tied for third. Marcia Thom was the third Theta; the stories were all very clever and are we proud of our new girls? We surely are.

Graduation is the next important event, taking place in June. After that—Joy of Joy's House-party.

28 March 1919

Jean Merriken

'11 Alegra Covey (Mrs Chas. Richardson) is living in Champaigne, Ill.

'12 Born to Dr and Mrs E. H. Hutchins (Ernestine Dulaney) a daughter, Estell Kennedy, Nov. 2.

'13 Born to Major and Mrs J. R. Swindell (Mary Wilson) a daughter, Mar. 29.

'13 Dorothy Davis (Mrs F. W. Conant) is living at 13 S. Lead st. Deming, N. M.

'13 Frances Sterling Clark is leading lady in *Come out of the kitchen*. While in Pittsburgh and Clarksburg she was entertained by the Thetas.

'14 Dorothy Wilson is with the Quartermaster corp in Baltimore.

'15 Helen Frisch entertained Maurine Edwards, Beta Beta, in Feb.

'15-ex Louise Pennington is doing canteen work for the Y. M. C. A. in France.

'19-ex Lillian and Lubelle Sheppard have returned to Baltimore.

ALPHA ETA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Alpha Eta has much interesting Theta news stored up. We haven't even told about the results of last fall's rushing season. Please don't gasp and sigh when we mention the fact that we have *sixteen* very promising new wearers of the kite. At first we were appalled at the idea, but we just couldn't afford to lose a single one of them, and it is a great pleasure to say that we have never had a better organized, more unified chapter than at present. Fifteen happy but shy freshmen came knocking at the "f-f-frat-house" door on November 3, to become really pledged to Kappa Alpha Theta:—Edith Hayes, Thaniel Dozier, Patti Harwell, Margaret Colville, Louise Finnegan, Marion Jones, Cornelia Park, Mary Lyn Dobson, Martha Trawick, Louise Howell, Isabel Howell, Helen Scanlon, Virginia Niles, Mancy Castern, and Irene Hunt. We repledged Josephine Harris, a Theta pledged for Alpha Chi, which made sixteen in all.

The initiation on January 16 was most impressive when all sixteen pledges were present to take their final vows.

During the Christmas holidays a tea and shower were given, and the chapter certainly profited greatly thereby. We must glow with pride

when we view our lovely linen supply. In the fall the freshmen had very pleasantly surprised us by outfitting the kitchen, which was constantly becoming more sadly lacking.

Alpha Eta had the very great pleasure of preforming a courtesy initiation for Beta Delta on January 25 and learned to love Mrs Brown (Josephine Waters) even more than just as a sister in Theta.

Mrs Brown remained with us for our Founders'-day banquet, which was indeed a banquet of the old order. Fifty-five Thetas gathered at the Tulane hotel, and never was Theta spirit and enthusiasm more truly manifested than on the evening of January 27, 1919.

Just to prove to ourselves that the war was really over, we all donned our evening dresses, dug down into our pocket books and had a great big dance at the Centennial club on March 7. It just seemed ages since we had done anything so rash, since for the past two years we have given all our money to war work of various kinds. Doing without these pleasures for a time seemed to have enhanced their value, because everybody had "the best time they ever had in their lives," and they really seemed to.

27 March 1919

Rebekah Ward

'17 Marguerite Dozier married Mr C. M. Gordon, Dec. 26, 1918, and is making her home in Washington, D. C. where her husband is engaged in Government work.

'17 Ellen Duffy is in Paris engaged in Y. M. C. A. canteen service and reconstruction work.

'12 Agnis Amis is in New York waiting orders to sail with the Y. W. C. A.

Ex-'13 Mrs Hofman (Clara Smith) is recovering after a successful operation at a local infirmary.

'17 Born to Lieut and Mrs F. I. Cherry (Elise Chase), a son, F. I. Cherry Jr.

'12 Mrs Pierce (Julia Chester) is teaching in a mission school in Cordenas, Cuba.

'04 Miss Penelope McDuffie, formerly dean of Ward-Belmont, is doing work for her Ph.D. at Columbia university.

ALPHA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Rush week was quite a success for Alpha Theta, for at the end of the week we had twenty-five pledges.

Our first term of college can hardly be classed as work. The S. A. T. C. rules and regulations were being established and classes adjusted to suit their needs. A few weeks and college closed for three weeks on account of influenza and later it was disbanded until after Christmas.

Before Christmas the upperclassmen honored the pledges with a very pretty dance.

After the holidays a "flu ban" was placed on all university students requesting them not to attend dances, parties, or any kind of public gatherings and many precautions were taken against catching and spreading the disease. Every student was required to report his tem-

perature to the university physician every day. An added amount of exercise in the open air was advised and girls were requested to take their dates walking instead of entertaining them at home. "Flu T's" were awarded to one hundred and two girls who abided strictly by these rules.

Because of this unusual state of affairs we had to get special permission to have our banquet February 11. It was a Valentine affair, really beautiful, all decorations in red and white, while the toasts were given to different kinds of love,—Theta, sweetheart, brotherly, husbandly, etc., all of the college chapter, several alumnae, and visitors and our Theta mother were there.

Open house was held by all of the women's fraternities Saturday night February 22. This was the first since Christmas.

March 27, the freshmen gave the upperclassmen a stunt party. It was in the form of a cabaret. Half of the upperclassmen were invited to come as men, while the other half came in evening dress. The program was a musical comedy based on the love affairs of one girl, *Seven Sisters*, and speeches from the audience on subjects as suggested fitting to their newly acquired dress.

Since Christmas we have initiated eight of our twenty-five pledges.

29 March 1919

Leila Beall Anderson

Sallie Story will marry Harris Flustoe, Apr. 11.

Margaret Myrick of Lockhart is visiting the house.

Willie May Kell is doing canteen work in France.

Mrs H. G. Henny, Alpha, of New Orleans has visited us twice this year.

ALPHA IOTA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Washington has again become the university of ante-bellum days. All the men have returned, covered with war-crosses, of course, and the various activities, some of which were discontinued during the war, and all of which were somewhat neglected, have started up with renewed vigor.

The chapter, especially, is sensible to the change, for we feel now that we can devote ourselves to chapter business without neglecting other important duties. We are beginning also to revive the social affairs which the war lead us to abandon.

On January 24 the pledges gave a most successful dance at the home of Emma Petring. Then we had our annual Martha Washington tea, February 22, when we wore the traditional powdered hair and fichus and beauty-spots. This year the tea was nicer than ever for we had our two charming grand officers, Miss Mary Ashby and Miss L. Pearle Green in the receiving-line. The guests numbered almost six hundred.

Miss Green paid Alpha Iota a visit of a week—a week from which the chapter derived a great deal of both pleasure and profit. Miss Green was able to give us some valuable hints concerning convention

to which we are looking forward with joy, of course—but with fear and trembling also.

We have a new pledge, Beatrice Turner, who was pledged last month.

Athletics play as important a part as ever in our college-life, and this year the seniors have won the basketball championship.

A new institution at Washington, indicative of the after-war frivolity, is the popularity contest carried on in connection with the sale of our yearbook, *The Hatchet*. The race, in which Thetas and Pi Phis were, as usual, rivals was exciting. Two Thetas were lucky enough to win the highest places—Gertrude Walther, a sophomore, coming out first, and Mildred Candy, the vice-president of the junior class, winning second place. The result of the contest was announced at the Junior Prom.

I suppose that by the time the next *Journal* is edited we shall have met all you members from the other chapters whose letters we read with so much pleasure. Here is hoping that many, many of you will come to convention, so that we may come to know all our widely-scattered "sisters in the bond," and may show them the sights of the "metropolis" of St. Louis.

26 March 1919

Gertrude Walther

ALPHA KAPPA—ADELPHI COLLEGE

This year has been a most unusual one. Adelphi has been very busy raising money for the Fourth Liberty loan and the United war work campaign. Adelphi raised \$4753 for the War work. It was quite amusing to see the different ways in which the girls earned their money. They sewed, cooked and scrubbed. Andrew, the elevator man, whom every Adelphi girl knows, was quite ill during the winter and so his place was filled by two girls who did their work very well. Occasionally the elevator would stop one foot above or below the landing but it didn't seem to make any difference to the girls.

Adelphi did not close on account of the influenza. There were only four or five cases of the "flu" at Adelphi and we *all* feel that the atmosphere must be very healthy here.

On March 28 Adelphi held its annual athletic banquet. This is the big event of the college year. In the afternoon there was a basketball game between the freshmen and sophomores. Before the game began the classes came out on the gymnasium floor and marched around several times singing their class songs. The freshmen were dressed in white with bright green caps. When they had finished their march they formed the letters '22 on the floor. The sophomores were not dressed alike and so their march was not such a success as the freshmen's. In spite of their fine marching, the freshmen were unlucky, for they lost the game.

After the game we went up to the Study hall where the banquet was served. The room was prettily decorated. There were six long tables—one for the faculty—one for the alumnae—and one for each of the classes. Between the courses, the classes sang original songs, each class trying to win the silver cup which was the reward to be given to the class having the best songs. The faculty acted as the judge. Occasionally the faculty sang for us to the amusement of the rest of the college. This year the juniors won the cup and they certainly deserved it, for they had a great many clever songs. After the dinner some of the members of the faculty spoke. About ten o'clock the room was cleared and the girls danced.

This year Alpha Kappa had two parties for the freshmen. One in the afternoon and one in the evening. On account of the war these parties were very simple but we always have good times. Theta has five more girls: Ruth Stelling, Anna Lieli, Constance Jenkins, Helen Crandell, Grace Sand; two girls pledged are Marjorie Durkis and Estelle Rodé. We took in a larger delegation than any other fraternity this year. Three of our girls hold class offices and one is the captain of the junior basketball team.

31 March 1919

Grace Sand

ALPHA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

"Goodbye everyone," "Forward my mail please," and "have just a wonderful time." And then all the girls were gone for spring vacation. The quarter ended March 25 and registration days are April 1 and 2. During the quarter college was getting back on the pre-war basis, the men who had been discharged from the service returned to college and the khaki and blue uniforms gave way to civilian garb, for most of the men registered in college as soon as they were demobilized. With their return social affairs began again.

Our first one was a thé-dansant given by the freshmen. They invited two freshman girls from each fraternity on the campus and freshman men from the different fraternities. It was a Japanese party. After the wisteria had been hung between the doors, the electric lights covered with lanterns and squatting pillows arranged under Japanese umbrellas on the floor, it fairly made our Japanese cook homesick. Two upperclassmen dressed as Japanese tea maids served the guests in a little incense laden tea room which is our breakfast room on ordinary days. It was a most successful party and everyone liked the idea of inviting guests from other houses.

We gave out Informal on St. Valentines day and we carried out our decorations to honor that good patron saint. We entertained at the home of Alice English.

Our third annual Kappa Alpha Theta vaudeville was March 12. There were seven acts and all of them were chapter talent. One act was a fashion show and another was a scene in a Parisian cabaret.

After all our expenses had been paid, we cleared over a hundred dollars to pay toward our lots, and we are very happy to be able to pay on the principal this spring.

Gertrude Lewis '22, and Vivian Kellam '21, both of Seattle, are two new pledges. Vivian has gained a very prominent place in college activities already and Gertrude's interest is bringing her forth.

Among the honors that have come to the chapter is the election of Marguerite Mann '18 to the women's honorary commerce fraternity as a charter member. Mary Worsham '19 has been elected by the students to the Board of control and pledged to Tolo, honorary women's fraternity. Helen Sutthoff '20 has been appointed by the Dean of women and the Board of control, along with four others, to represent the women of the university in the attempt to build a Union building.

There will be open rush next quarter and we have small parties for registration week. We are certainly pleased with the spirit our freshmen have shown toward rushing.

27 March 1919

Ruth Protto

'19 Marjorie Kohlman is spending the winter at Long Beach, Cal.

'19 Faith Clelland has announced her engagement to Ivan Lee, Z X.

'19 Helen Gordon was recently married to James Farrell.

'19 Dorothy Jones has left for France where she will be married to David Fisher.

ALPHA MU—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Now that the S. A. T. C. has ceased to create whirlpools in our educational sea, smooth sailing is possible, and Alpha Mu is beginning to experience again the joys of the "old days." Of course each girl feels that she is rushed for time, since there are so many things to be accomplished before April 23, the close of this trimester; yet these enforced duties prevented no one from entering into the spirit of fun prevailing at the dance which Alpha Mu gave for her freshmen March 7. To live each day to the fullest, and still be able to do the same again tomorrow is not easy, yet we are doing our best trying to combine a college and a liberal education.

Our Founders'-day banquet, to say the least, was enjoyed by all. We were honored by the presence of our new District president, Mrs Lebrecht, and by the following alumnae: Bess Philips Kennedy, Edna Barck Garth, Evelina Buis, Archie Cook Luckie, Nell Farley Welch, Dera Dulaney, Rosalie Dulaney Murphy, Mary Quayle Bradley, Dorothy Mumford, and Frances Bennett Holloway.

After last year's success in athletics we are very anxious to win the cup for basketball again this year. We anticipate an exciting series of inter-fraternity games.

Friday, March 29, the Woman's athletic association will present a vaudeville of stunts, dances, original songs, and college "hits." Zella Ella Edward is chairman of the stunts committee, and a number of girls from the chapter will take part in the entertainment.

Thetas now holding all-student or class offices are: Ruth Dulaney, Helen Boyd, Hedwig Aulepp, Dorothy Mantz, Lucille Lacy, Margaret Way, Zella Ella Edwards, and Fern Bewyer. Vivian Kirkpatrick has been elected to L. S. V., an honorary senior organization composed of only five women. Also Harriet Bell and Vivian Kirkpatrick have been elected to Mortar Board, a national honorary senior organization.

The Missouri and Kansas track meet was recently held in Kansas City. Missouri won with a score of fifty-one to thirty-four. We are immensely happy over this result.

29 March 1919

Lois M. Harris

'21 Catherine Mumford was operated on for appendicitis at Parker memorial hospital on Mar. 16.

Mary Grundy, Alpha, was a recent guest of the house.

Anny Barck, Alpha Iota, was a guest of her sister, Mrs Jame Garth.

Bess Philips Kennedy was a visitor in Columbia this month.

Mr and Mrs P. J. Newman announce the arrival of a son, Joseph William, Mar. 30, 1918.

'18-ex Lelia Dickinson from Clinton, Mo. made a visit to the chapter.

'18 Helen Parr of Hamilton, Mo. was a recent visitor.

'17 Dorothy Blanks, Mexico, Mo. was married to Ray P. Miller, B Θ II, Mar. 14.

'19 Virginia Wheat finished her work and left college at the end of the first trimester.

'20 Mary K. Stewart is back in college this year.

'09 Mae Wonsettler Chapman and Nell Farley Welch were visitors of the chapter.

Bertha Jorndt, Marian Denyvon, Beulah Rhodes, and Emma Petring of Alpha Iota were house guests the week end of Jan. 17.

'15 Margaret Mumford who is in Home economics department at Minnesota university took dinner with us Sunday Mar. 30.

'17 Jane Quayle was married in Oct. to Wayne Stewart, Φ K Ψ.

ALPHA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Montana was in session two weeks before the influenza epidemic strictly quarantined the S. A. T. C. and discontinued classes till January 1. For patriotic reasons our rushing was limited to one week and a total expenditure of \$10. We were unable to have a house-party because the owners of our house did not move until the first day of college. Alumnæ in town entertained for us however and we had our house for rushing week.

We pledged ten lovely girls at the close of the rushing season. They are—Edith Judson, Great Falls; Elsie Talgo, Billings; Beatrice Renwick, Virginia Yegen, and Lotta Carll of Billings; Helen Fitzgibbon, Hamilton; Helen Gillette, Belt; Jean Grimshaw, Anaconda; Dorothy Phelps and Irma Wagner, Missoula. Since January 1 we have pledged Mary Laux and Elsie Chester of Kalispell; Vivian Bruneau, Great Falls; Lillian Nepstad, Grey Cliff; and Aileen Wagner, Missoula. Lotta Carll, Lillian Nepstad, and Helen Gillette have been initiated.

We are very proud of our new girls. One has been elected a member of the Masquers club, with a leading part in a play which is to be presented at an early date. Another made second highest number of points in the Army mental test recently given to the faculty and students. A freshman girl made the university debate team in the try-outs, though poor health prevents her continuing the extra work.

During the enforced vacation of the first quarter many students kept up their work by correspondence or conference. Helen Gillette received the highest number of credits in the university for this period and Lotta Carll second highest.

The week after rushing, during a shortage of farmer labor, Thetas, House mother, and pledges became "farmerettes." We sallied forth in unpicturesque costumes to pick potatoes on a nearby farm. We bought a supply of potatoes for the winter with half of the money we received and gave the other half to the local Red Cross chapter. We also earned a good deal of unexpected publicity.

A great change has taken place on our campus. Two large S. A. T. C. barracks were built—one of which is now being used for a men's dormitory. A Young Men's Christian association hut and a large hospital were also erected for the accommodation of the S. A. T. C. men. We have a fine new science building too.

This year the university has set into operation a small dormitory for girls who wish to earn their way through college. The girls do their own cooking under the direction of students in the Home economics department. The cottage is endowed and named after Eloise Knowles, a Theta, deceased. The Alpha Nu alumnae contributed a victrola to the furnishing of the Eloise Knowles cottage.

We were delighted by a visit from our district president a few days ago. Mrs Jinnett gave us many very helpful suggestions. She certainly has a very inspiring personality.

We are fortunate this year in having a very wonderful house mother, Mrs J. Wilson Moore. She is a delightful and sympathetic companion to all the girls, showing great concern for their individual welfare. When one of the girls had influenza Mrs Moore was her nurse, and when our president, Hazel Baird, was quarantined for small-pox at the university hospital, Mrs Moore remained with her. Hazel was not seriously ill and is now back in college. She was elected vice-president of the senior class.

Panhellenic meets once a month. At the last meeting it was decided to give an inter-fraternity banquet on March 25. Just the active members of the fraternities are to be present. It also decided that all fraternities should meet on Tuesday night of every week—making that fraternity night since the boys meet then. Pledge day this fall was October 6. There was but one week of rushing. Initiation of pledges will take place April 5.

Last quarter found all fraternities interested in basketball. There were eight teams playing in the tournament. Delta Gamma, Kappa

Kappa Gamma, Alpha Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Craig hall, Out of town girls, Town girls, and the Elouise Knowles cottage girls. The Town girls won the championship, and Kappa Alpha Theta had the honor of defeating all the fraternity teams. At present baseball is the main athletic activity. Alpha Nu hopes to do better in this than she did in basketball.

The spring quarter has just begun and our enthusiasm is unusually high.

30 March 1919

Irene Bruce

Virginia McAuliffe and Hellen Gillette made the all-star basketball team.

'19-ex Helen Finch is in New York city studying the violin under Theodore Speiring.

'18 Ruth Davis is teaching at Warm Springs.

Marguerite Bonner Saddler has a new baby girl.

Helen McCarthy is doing reconstruction work with the Knights of Columbus in Tacoma.

Donna McCall and John Wesley Daily were married Jan. 13, at Tucson, Ariz.

'15-ex Merle Kettlewell and Rufus Rheunover were married last Aug. at Missoula and are now living at Plains, Mont.

'20-ex Leathie McCarthy is assistant superintendent of the Milwaukee terminal, Avery, Idaho.

Beth Barrows and Ruth Davis, two of our seniors of last year, visited the chapter last month.

Virginia McAuliffe was elected captain of the junior basketball team and Helen Little, captain of the sophomores.

'20 Phoebe Ector is attending the University of Washington this year.

Ruth Cummings has returned to the university for the spring quarter.

Marjorie Frost now has the title of Confidential secretary to the President at the university.

Virginia McAuliffe was elected president of the Physical education organization.

Hazel Baird was elected vice-president of the senior class.

Hazel Baird and Mary Laux both made the university debate team.

Helen Little was elected vice-president of the Press club.

Carrie McClay was elected president of the Y. W. C. A.

Virginia McAuliffe was elected vice-president of Woman's league.

Helen Gillette was elected president of the Home economics club.

ALPHA XI—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

At the opening of the winter trimester Alpha Xi was fortunate in pledging Dorothy Manville of Portland, Oregon, who takes her place as the first pledge for nineteen nineteen and the sixteenth member of the freshman class.

Our date for initiation was January 25, when we welcomed eleven new Thetas into the fraternity. Seven alumnae came back to help make this midyear initiation the biggest event on the Alpha Xi calendar. Altogether fifty Thetas were present at the banquet held at the hotel afterward. If the "Sophs" smiled they didn't do it "out loud" when the upperclassmen agreed that it was the "very best initiation yet." They knew that every new set of initiates would be welcomed

with that very same agreement because every Theta as long as Theta's Theta will find each succeeding initiation the "very best one yet."

The freshmen gave a very clever stunt on Founders'-day called *A study in freshmen*. And a study it certainly was—we hadn't an idea we had so much dramatic genius in our midst. But surprises never cease to occur!

With the signing of the armistice we have found very little war work to do but have tried to be content with subscribing a sum for the support of some French war orphans and helping with drives as they come along. Most of our energy is being turned toward the campus once more. We were proud to have two of our musical freshmen pledged Mu Phi, four of the girls taken into Utaxian, campus literary society, and six Thetas chosen for special parts in Oregon's Colonial assembly given on Washington's birthday in order to raise money for the new women's building.

Recently Alpha Xi said good bye to Terza Dinsdale, affiliated from Alpha Psi, Young Woman's Christian association secretary on the campus, who is leaving to do reconstruction work in France. The whole college was more than sorry to see her go but although we will miss her it is a satisfaction to us to know that Theta may count one more daughter in the great work.

Lillian Auld

Jessie Garner of Astoria visited Mildred Garland at the chapter house for a few days.

Mary De Barr Taylor has been visiting her mother, Mrs De Barr at her home in Eugene while Mr Taylor is in France.

The seven alumnae back for initiation were: Ruth Trowbridge, Marjorie McGuire, Margaret Hawkins, Isobell Garland, Mary De Barr Taylor, Peggy Paine, and Virginia Peterson Walker.

Cleome Carroll is studying costume design in the School of practical arts, Columbia university, New York city.

ALPHA OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Since February Alpha Omicron has had one big event to mark on her calendar, and several small ones. The big event was the visit from our Grand officers, Miss Green, and Miss Ashby, and our District president, Mrs Tom Lowry.

The house question, which has been all year the most vital, and yet the hardest to settle, is still pending, and is still somewhat hazy.

With March came the new quarter. It brought back two of our girls, but also took two others away. The quarter system we are glad to say is soon to end. We go back to the semester system next year.

We have one new pledge this quarter, Ruth Moore from Purcell.

Spring rather takes hold of one at Norman, and just now we are planning our "little sister" parties, and other important rushing affairs. Spurred by the spring-serenaders we are learning new Theta songs.

Then last of all we are enthusiastic because Alpha Omicron will be well represented in numbers at convention. We'll see you there—all you Thetas, in July.

Mary Mattison

Helen Wooley left with her mother for El Centro, Cal.

Ruth Fisher has returned to college after being out one quarter.

Harriet Ingham has returned to college for third quarter.

Virginia Tolbert has accepted a position in Y. W. C. A. work which takes her to France very soon.

Dorothy Nash was married Mar. 23, to Darwin Eaton of Tulsa.

Born Apr. 2, 1919, to Mr and Mrs E. L. DeGolyer (Nell Goodrich) a daughter, Cecilia Jean. They have two other daughters, Virginia and Dorothy. Address: 305 Park st. Upper Montclair, N. J.

Lucile Westervelt Smiser (Mrs Rayburn) went to New York in March to meet her husband, Capt Smiser, who returned from France. They are now in Oklahoma City. Address: 427 W. 14th st.

Evaline Atwood Kilpatrick (Mrs John), who spent the winter with her parents while Lieut Kilpatrick was in the service, is now at home at 1436 W. 27th st. Oklahoma City.

Edna Cash, who was a government censor in San Antonio, Tex. all winter, has returned home. Address: 422 E. 8th st. Oklahoma City.

Mr and Mrs Manning S. Moore (Elaine Buxton) and children, Louise Elaine and Manning Jr. have left Ft. Worth, Tex. their former home, and are with Mrs Moore's parents in Oklahoma City for the present. They expect to go to Arizona and California this summer.

Gertrude Buxton Fleming (Mrs Edwin T.) and little daughters, Phyllis and Ellen, are in Tucson, Ariz. where they went for the benefit of the latter's health. They will remain several months.

Born: Mar. 1, to Mr and Mrs E. A. Cook, a son, E. Allen, Jr. Address: 316 W. King street, Tulsa, Okla.

Freda Reed Dawson (Mrs Raymond) has a new address: 501 W. 17th st. Oklahoma City.

Helen Mitchell Lee (Mrs. Harold) has returned to Oklahoma City, after a long absence while she was with her husband, Capt Lee, who was in the service. Address: 1604 W. 39th st.

Corinne Breeding, who is in Y. W. C. A. work in Dallas, Tex. has been sent to different Y. W. C. A. hostess houses in training camps in the West and South to audit the accounts.

May Melvin Browne (Mrs H. S.) has returned to Norman where her husband is Dean of the school of pharmacy in the University of Oklahoma. They have been away for some time while Dr Browne was working for his M.D. degree in Chicago.

Lottie Boyle Moyer (Mrs Benton H.) is now living in Massachusetts. Her address is 6 Lake View, Arlington.

Merle Newby Buttram (Mrs Frank) is in New York for a few weeks and has seen several Alpha Omicron alumnae who live there.

Alva Jarbeau, who finished college at the end of the last quarter, is teaching in Altus, Okla.

Mr and Mrs Walter O. Cralle (Marian Brooks) are in Norman with the latter's parents, since Lieut Cralle left the service.

ALPHA PI—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

Owing to the influenza, the university closed early in the fall, not opening again until January. After a very successful rushing season, we pledged Marion Robinson, Ada Olson, Louise Belatti, Harriet Fox,

Florence Beachem, Lois Sheets, Molly Markell, Helen Fox, Corrine Heitman, Irene Adams, Adeline Belatti, Odina Olson, and Aldene Barrington. We were very glad to initiate Beatrice Hines, Helena Huesgen, Myrtle Renwick, Frances Mahon, Florence Beachem, Harriet Fox, Louise Belatti, Ada Olson, Marion Robinson, Eva Skinner, Dorothy Healy, Florence Reid, Gladys O'Keefe, Ruth Dow, and Ruby Crothers.

With the addition of these girls, we took part in university affairs and work with renewed enthusiasm. Such a busy time as it has been! The work of two quarters was crowded into one, examinations being held last week, and now we are enjoying a ten-day vacation. Many social affairs deserve mention. Mrs Eggers, one of our patronesses, entertained us at a delightful card party one afternoon in February. Echo Turner, a most influential charter member, was our honor guest at a tea on Valentine's day a week before her marriage to James Brennan of Minneapolis. The wedding, February 22, at St. Mary's cathedral was attended by all members of Kappa Alpha Theta and Sigma Chi. Many successful university dances have been given, among them the Junior Prom.

Alpha Sigma Epsilon has received a charter from Delta Zeta. The installation ended with a formal reception given to all fraternity members.

The women's glee club contemplates trips to various towns near the university, to give entertainment as well as to advertise the university. Eleven Thetas are members of the Glee club. We are also well represented in the Dakota Playmakers. Olive Presler is to take the leading part in *Prunella*; other Thetas in the cast are Eleanor Healy, Ruth Mahon, Ruby Crothers and Enid Young. Beatrice Olson, alumna, is with us, having accepted a position with the Extension division of the university. She takes an important part in the Dakota Playmakers, as well as with the Merry makers, a group of eight girls who are touring the state with an attractive program. Odina Olson and Dorothy Healy are members of this group also.

Both the men's and women's basketball games are over for the season. The senior women were the winners this year and two Thetas are very anxious to display their hard-earned sweaters.

Our pledges are a very spirited group. They, as well as the actives, have contributed toward the orphan and war funds. Their weekly meetings are in charge of Selma Hassell Lommen. In order to bring actives and pledges together, an active member attends each meeting and discusses some question brought from the chapter. Another plan whereby we are brought closer together, is Thursday afternoon tea at the house from four to six o'clock.

Selma Hassell Lommen has devised a plan by which the girls having birthdays during any month, may invite their friends to a party at her home, which is turned over for their use.

23 March 1919

Enid Young

Echo Turner and James Brennan, Σ X, were married Feb. 22, Grand Forks, N. D.

'15 Catherine Hixon has resigned her position as principal of the Langdon high school and is with her parents in Minneapolis, Minn.

Ex-'13 Polly Serumgaard of Devils Lake spent last week end at the house.

'18 Helen Tombs and Fredrica Fox were among the out-of-town guests at the Junior Prom.

Ex-'17 Florence Healy, who has spent the past year in California, is expected home soon.

Girls home for Founders'-day, Feb. 22, were Ruth Templeton, Alice Budge, and Donna Forkner.

Ex-'17 Bernice Church writes from Washington that she is very fond of her work in the War Risk insurance dept.

'18-ex Dorothy Perrott holds a clerical position in Washington. Her mother is keeping house for her there.

Mr and Mrs Seymour Anderson (Vera Markell) and baby have moved to Grand Forks.

'13 Gertrude Cunningham Wineman has gone to Louisville, Ky. where her husband, Lieut Wineman has been ordered recently.

ALPHA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Since our last letter we have initiated Edna Thomas, Pierre; Anne Dunlap, Vermilion; Maurine Bone and Lucille Large, Sioux City, Iowa; and have pledged Laila Gilbertson, Vermilion.

Our new chaperon, Miss Ruetta Day, of the Home economics department, is very fine. We are most fortunate in having interested alumnae in Vermilion. Phyllis Neumayr '15 entertained us at a card party in her home, February 15. Dorothy Chaney '18, assisted by Juliet Lien, a senior, entertained us at dinner in the home of the former.

We are all looking forward to our house dance to be held April 19.

Our new officers are: president, Marie Leavitt; vice-president, Josephine Stutenroth; secretary, Beth Meadows; treasurer, Zora Nelson, corresponding secretary, Florence Nelson.

Lucille Large

Gertrude McGee and Jean Shanard are returning this quarter after being absent last quarter.

'18 Clara Olsten from Lake Preston, visited us the week end of Mar. 7.

'16 Marjorie Beebe, Ipswich, spent ten days with us on her way from Florida, where she spent the winter.

Carlton Sherwood of Mitchell visited the chapter the week end of Mar. 7.

ALPHA SIGMA—WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

Alpha Sigma was greatly handicapped during rushing season. A majority of the girls were victims of influenza, leaving in the house but seven girls. But in spite of all obstacles Theta came out triumphant with twelve pledges: June Sanders, a Theta sister, Lorraine Blosser, Margaret Berry, Madeline Power, Mildred Bothwel, Eloise Brandt, Harriet Lucas, Florence Weed, Joyce Steele, Norma Heathman, Marie Heathman, Georgie Anne Gifford—a Theta daughter.

Shortly after Christmas we sent two girls to Spokane to buy new furniture for the living room. We are very proud of it.

At the beginning of the second quarter we began a new rushing season, the results were four splendid girls: Virginia Spencer, Erna Toeves, Alice Elvans, Cecil Whitfield.

March 8 we gave a tea in honor of our house mother, Mrs Davis.

February 13, Olive Corklin, June Sanders, Dorothy McMaster, and Mary Sanders were initiated into Mu Phi Epsilon, national honorary music fraternity recently installed here.

At present the girls are preparing a stunt for the Post-Exam-Jubilee. We are also planning our annual benefit tea. This year we are going to help the Armenian relief fund.

One of our seniors, Dorothy Hinman, returned home, having completed her work with the conclusion of the second quarter.

We are fortunate in having Melcina LaFollette on our faculty. She is head of the Dramatics department.

Dora Summardlidsen Lewis (Mrs Lee C.) returned to college the second quarter.

Ida Green has returned from Portland and is doing clerical work at the college.

During the year we have been honored by visits from Mrs Gifford, Mrs Lindley, and Bess Ferguson.

Our girls are doing their share in college activities. Eleanor Wilmer and Marjorie Heaton are on the *Chinook* staff. Marie Cave is president of Women's league, LaVelle Dutton is on Women's council. Marie Cave and Olive Conklin are in the girls sextette. Edna McKinsty has charge of the May Fete. Cecil Whitfield took part in the last college play. Dorothy McMaster and June Sanders are on a tour around the state as soloists with the Treble Cleft Club. Virginia Holland is with the Treble Cleft Club also, as a sophomore singer. Olive Conklin is accompanist for the men's Glee Club.

25 March 1919

Mary Sanders

Marion Sweezey is at Camp Devens, Mass. as a reconstruction aide in a base hospital.

'14 Dorothy Fortier is chief desk clerk at the Davenport hotel, Spokane, Wash.

'15 Ella Alexander and Gladys Persels are teaching in high school at North Yakima.

'15 Myrtle Boone is Home demonstration agent for Thurston Co. Headquarters at Olympia, Wash.

'16 Frances Wilmer is working in her father's bank at Rosalia, Wash.

'16-ex Kathleen Dawson Foster (Mrs Myron) is living in Chicago, Ill.

'16 Lila Bryan Kulzer (Mrs N. G.) is working in the Extension office at the college.

'16 Etta Losie is in the business office of a packing house in Seattle, Wash.

'16 Dorothy Otto is working in the Owl drug store, Seattle, Wash.

Ex-'20 Doris Hudson Moss (Mrs W. A.) is living at Newport News, Va.

Ex-'19 Mildred McMaster recently visited the chapter. She is teaching at Endicott, Wash.

ALPHA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

"Organ grinders and marbles are playing everywhere," as O. Henry says, and it is especially hard these bright spring days to keep on with the old college grind. But now that winter is over the days will fly and will seem hardly long enough to hold our plans and dreams of convention. That is of course everyone's main thought now and from present reading Alpha Tau will attend in full force.

With chapter letters coming only every four months it is hard to keep up with the march of events, but there are some important ones that will not soon be forgotten. First of course is initiation which was held at the home of Mrs Burris. As a deviation from the old custom, it was held late in the afternoon and was followed by an informal banquet. Some clever toasts were given after which Elizabeth Burris, our first Theta daughter, was presented with her fraternity badge, which the chapter awards every year to the freshman making the highest average.

We are now fully engrossed in plans for a tea dance to be given April 5, just after the arrival of the boys from overseas. The two returning units are composed almost entirely of Cincinnati boys, many of whom are old Varsity men and the college is planning a big celebration in their honor. For several weeks a Young Men's Christian association man has been drilling the whole college in community singing, so that the university can have a special delegation on government square to do its part in welcoming "our boys" home.

The spring calendar holds several interesting fraternity events such as small chapter parties and gatherings, of which the annual Mother's party is always one of the happiest. These affairs will break the monotony until June and then after a week or two of mad preparation—we will see you at convention!

29 March 1919

Agnes Hamilton James

'16 Saradelle Emerson Sadler is rejoicing over the arrival of a little daughter, born Feb. 8, and the return home of her husband Lieut Dudley Sadler who has been overseas.

'17 Nina Porter is doing stenographic work in the War Risk insurance department at Washington. Her address is 1403 12th st. Washington, D. C.

'15 Margaret Rucker Shannon (Mrs Robert) has moved to Monroe, La. where her husband is engaged in government agricultural work.

Roberta Whallon Caudill, Louisville, Ky. and Marjory Flagler Adee, New York city, were home for a few weeks, the guests of their parents.

Hazle Shook Snyder of Columbus, Ohio, was our guest at the March alumnae meeting.

We are glad to welcome into our alumnae chapter, Mrs Albert Holmes of Buffalo, N. Y. Her address is Clifton av. and LaFayette Circle, Cincinnati, Ohio.

'17 Grace E. Dudley was married to Stuart Vanderveer Campbell on Mar. 20. We wish her much happiness but will miss her, as she is to live in Arizona.

ALPHA UPSILON—WASHBURN COLLEGE

Washburn has adopted the three term system and we are just completing the second term, on the whole it has been a happy change since examinations come oftener and one has a chance for higher grades.

On Washburn day thirteen of our girls wore caps and gowns for the first time. At that time it was announced that one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars will be spent on a new dormitory for girls and the construction will begin soon after commencement; they hope to complete it before the fall of 1920.

Every two weeks the actives and pledges give a Saturday afternoon tea to which are invited members of the alumnae and a few rushees. We find it a very pleasant way to become acquainted with rushees.

An effort is made to have as guests for lunch once a week either two girls from other fraternities or two nonfraternity girls.

The Sigma Alpha Iota fraternity will hold its annual convention in Topeka the last week in April. During the convention Kappa Alpha Theta shall do everything in her power to make their stay pleasant.

Mary Paxton has been chosen for the leading part in the spring play, *As you like it*. Isabel Whitcomb will also have a part. Ruth Wood, Lyda Suydam, Dorothy Wahle have parts in *The Mikado*, which is to be given April 12.

In order to raise money for the Athletic association, a series of basketball games was played. The woman's fraternities each chose a team. The boys on each team were decorated with the fraternity's colors and the fraternities were lined up in groups displaying enthusiasm and "pep." In the afternoon the semi-finals were played and the Theta and Kappa Chi teams were victorious, so in the evening the finals—between Theta and Kappa Kappa Chi were played and the boys who wore the Black and Gold were again winners. We were especially lucky in having our colored houseboy, Walter, act as cheer leader. After the game, we presented our team with two boxes of candy and on the following night entertained them with a spread at the house. The scheme was repeated the following week in the form of a track-meet. And again Theta came out ahead.

We were very happily surprised not long ago when the pledges gave us a most delightful tea-party from a beautiful mahogany tea-cart which they presented to us. And two days later, the Topeka alumnae sent us our long-hoped-for Victrola and records. The alumnae gift has always come to us at the time of the annual Founders'-day party; but we regret that this year, the party had to be given up on account of the influenza.

28 March 1919

Betty Fyffe

'20-ex Jessie Burnett and Betty Edson are doing war work in the Adjutant's office.

'07 Irene Mehl married Earl Leon Shoup.

'10 Born to Mr and Mrs Philip Whitcomb (Gertrude McClintock) a daughter in London, where they are now residing.

'10-ex Maurine Stevenson married Conley Drum.

Miss Carson, Province president of Pi Beta Phi, was a dinner guest at the Theta house.

Jessie Wyatt, Kappa, was a week end guest at the Theta house.

On Mar. 24, we pledged Vivian Ware, Severns, Kan. and Lillian Hughes, Sabetha, Kan.

ALPHA PHI—NEWCOMB COLLEGE

The fraternity question at Newcomb as yet remains unsettled. During the recent discussion as to whether we are to continue to exist or not, Alpha Phi enjoyed visits from Miss Green and Miss Mary Ashby. In spite of all unfavorable conditions, however, Pledge-day was held last Saturday, and we are glad to announce the following pledges: Muriel Bate, Mildred Christian, Julia May Magruder, and Helen Powe, all of New Orleans.

The moving of the college to its new home last fall has given rise to the establishment of certain new traditions, among which is Arbor day, held last month. Fourteen oaks were planted and in each class a committee of fourteen girls was elected, each to be responsible for the care and welfare of one of the trees. Needless to say, it is considered a great honor to be chosen on one of the committees.

Friday night of this week is to be Tulane night, when the student bodies of Newcomb and Tulane unite in a huge jollification at the Tulane theater. There is a great deal of rivalry between classes, presentation of stunts by different organizations, cartoons, and, of course, yells and songs. Alpha Phi is especially interested this year, since the play is to be *Come out of the kitchen*, with Frances Sterling Clarke of Alpha Delta chapter as leading lady.

Alpha Phi alumnae and actives have been devoting one night a week to acting as hostesses at the Patriotic league for working girls at their room on Gravier street. It is a pleasant and interesting work, and we are thinking of extending it to other organizations similar to the Patriotic league.

31 March 1919

Dorothy Hay

'14 Gladys Gibbens was home from University of Chicago last week for a ten day vacation.

'16 Virginia Thompson of Citronelle, Ala. was married Mar. 8, to Mr Daniel F. Zwilling, U. S. N.

'18-ex Mina Fortier is married to Mr Louis W. Fox and now lives in San Antonio, Tex. Address: 305 W. Woodlawn av.

'21 Velma Moody has announced her engagement to Mr Gilbert Wingate.

ALPHA CHI—PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Time now dates from the day of the signing of the armistice, the day when "town and gown" united whole-heartedly in one big rejoicing and when the women students suddenly sprang into prominence by leading the university part of the parade, with the historic Purdue bell.

Since then college life has painlessly come out of its war status and has resumed most of its ordinary aspects. The 1919 *Debris* is to be equal to any former one we know, for again two Thetas, Marjory Clark and Beatrice Jamison, are literary and art editors respectively. Plans are partly made for May-day and Beatrice Jamison is chairman of this committee and while plans are not yet fully made for Gala-week, Gretchen Mueller, another of our seniors, is doing efficient work on this committee.

At our Christmas party, dolls were dressed for children, and only pictured gifts with appropriate verses were given to the members. To the surprise of everyone, except the committee, a real banquet was served, ending with impromptu toasts. Other social activities of the chapter have been: a recognition party to the new local, Kappa Chi; the Founders'-day party; a dance; a party given by our pledges to pledges of all the other women's fraternities; and a reception to Kappa Kappa Gamma as a closing event of their installation.

The women's Panhellenic dance was one of the most successful given this year but was closely followed, if it is to be judged by the fureur it caused, by the Purdue girls club's manless dance, the custom of which started last year to fulfill the club's war pledge and continued this year for the same reason.

The state basketball tournament was held at Purdue this year for the first time. About three thousand guests attended and everything was managed with unusual ease and nicety.

27 March 1918

Jane E. Dye

'07 Mrs R. R. Robertson (Clara Gosma), who has been in Lafayette for the last year, while her husband, Major Robertson, has been in service in France, will return to her home at 134 N. Ardmore av. Los Angeles, Cal.

'11 Born to Mr and Mrs Thos. Henry (Emma Smith) a daughter, Jean Elizabeth, Mar. 17, 1919.

'11 Born to Mr and Mrs George Hoffer (Margaret Arnot) a son, Robert Arnot, Mar. 3, 1919.

'17 LaCegail Bone has returned to West Lafayette from Washington, D. C. where she has been in government service for the past year.

ALPHA PSI—LAWRENCE COLLEGE

Although Alpha Psi began the year as a small chapter, the addition of six fine freshmen, who all made their grades so they could be initiated at once, and another pledge this quarter, has strengthened us greatly.

Initiation was held at the home of Ruth Lachman '20-ex, at Neenah, on February 22. The initiates were: Grace Pfeuger, Manitowoc; Ethline Henry, Crystal Falls, Michigan; Abigail Classon, Oconto; Norma Cass, Viroqua; Margaret Bjoin, Stoughton; and Helen Larra-bee, Chippewa Falls.

After the initiation service, the annual banquet was held at the Hotel Menasha, with 38 members present. Mrs George Fannon (Lilah Nelson) acted as toastmistress. Reconstruction was the

subject of the toasts and the responses were: *Individual*, Norma Cass; *Local*, Ruth Melville; *National*, Helen Risdon; and *International*, Mrs Richard Thickens (Jean Wiley '13). We were much pleased to have there ten out-of-town members, Ethlynn Lindley '20-ex, and Katherine Williamson '21-ex, of Chicago; Katherine Nelson '20-ex, and Olive Robinson '20-ex, who are attending the University of Wisconsin; Gladys Holstein '18-ex of Fort Atkinson; Ruth Findeisen '18, of Green Bay; Mrs Seymour Hyman (Naomi Owens '17-ex) of Oshkosh; Mrs Richard Thickens '13, of Menasha; Helen Lawson '19-ex, of Menasha; and Mrs Ruth Ingraham Dawley of Wausau.

Panhellenic has had the management of a rummage sale for the benefit of Armenian relief. As the girls were much interested and brought back many old clothes after vacation the affair was very successful. The dormitory girls are trying out an experiment under the Big sister movement, which allows the girls to be out until ten o'clock on week nights and eleven on week-end nights. The big sisters are to watch their small sisters and if the privilege is rightly used it may be made a permanent one.

24 March 1919

Helen Ritchie

'03 Tirza Dinsdale expects to be sent to France very soon for Y. W. C. A. service. She has been Y. W. C. A. secretary at the University of Oregon, Eugene.

'10 Mrs Carl Rosebush (Hazel Cass) visited several weeks in Chicago and with her sister in Battle Creek, Mich.

'11 Vera Cass is spending the winter with relatives in Berkeley, Cal.

'17 Margaret Ritchie has been obliged to give up her work at Menomonie high school on account of illness and is now at her home in Appleton.

'17-ex Elizabeth Stevens will be married to Mr Leavitt Hallock of Cleveland, Ohio, at her home in Appleton on May 1.

ALPHA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Alpha Omega was honored this year by the invitation of our Grand president to hold pledge services in her home. It was especially impressive and beautiful and the following girls considered themselves most fortunate to be pledged in Mrs Mecklin's home: Gayle Isensee, Olivette Gourley, Augusta Burdorf, Olivia Klingelhofer, Isabelle Anderson, Eleanor Steele, Dorothy Steele, Irene Horner, Beatrice Koenig and Harriet Colcord. The last three are sisters of sophomore Thetas. Later in the evening we had a general jollification.

Initiation at the chapter house, March 1, was divided into two parts. The two seniors and juniors were initiated in the afternoon. Then we had an informal dinner in charge of the juniors. In the evening the rest of the pledges were initiated. A great many alumnae were present in the afternoon and quite a few took part in the evening. After the initiation, the sophomores had a delightful spread and party for the rest of the chapter and the initiates. Each initiate received a corsage of marguerites tied with black and gold ribbon and a tiny K A Θ pennant. After the spread we marched around the table and sang

all the Theta songs we knew. Mrs Hazel Keffer Peden and Louise Culley, alumnae, told the new girls stories of Theta and fraternities in general, and of our chapter when it was the local Pi Theta Nu, and how it became Theta. Then the new girls told why they wanted to become Thetas. It was one of the best times we have ever had in the chapter house.

The same evening our initiates presented the chapter with an exquisite Madeira centerpiece and a dozen tea napkins. Our appreciation of this gift knew no bounds as our meager store of table linen has caused us some embarrassment in the past.

On March 14, the active chapter held a formal dance at the Twentieth century club for our new members. This is the first formal affair which the chapter has had since the war, and it was so successful that we are hoping to have another for the seniors in May.

It was only after the students had petitioned the faculty that they granted us a three day vacation at Easter time to which we are all looking forward very eagerly.

We have started a "sweeper fund," to collect enough money by voluntary contributions to buy an electric sweeper for the house. We have a small tin box, with a hole in the top, in a conspicuous place in the hall and visitors and guests are respectfully invited to contribute.

We are maintaining the custom instituted during rushing season of having a special luncheon at the house once a week when all the girls meet. It makes a fine get together time and we all enjoy it immensely.

Plans are on foot for the large Panhellenic dance to be held at the William Penn hotel April 25. We all are hoping to attend.

Frances Wills

Rhoda Koenig and Ruth Fleming represented the chapter at the functions given by the Delta Sigma Sigma sorority at the university of West Virginia.

Mercedes Mehl who was initiated last year, but is now at Northwestern, spent a week with us in March. An informal dance was held in her honor.

'19 Olivette Gourley, a new initiate, has come to live at the house.

'17 Dr Agnes Burns Ferguson is now Dean of the house.

Hazel Keffer Peden (Mrs John Taylor) has discontinued work with the War department and will remain at her home for the present.

'19 Peg McClenahan, our chapter president, has just completed her eighth consecutive term of varsity basketball. She was captain of the Pitt team this year. The team has never been defeated during four years.

'16 Louise Culley is in Atlanta, Ga. where she is doing civilian relief work for the Red Cross.

'12 Lucie Pfleger, Alpha Tau, who was with us last summer is again living at the house.

'15 Gretchen Buske visited Pittsburgh early in March. A group of her classmates gave an old-fashioned spread at the house. She acted in her official capacity at initiation on the following day.

The fraternity had the honor of entertaining Dr Ella Potter of Philadelphia at tea. Dr. Potter represented the War department in a series of lectures on Social Hygiene which were given in various parts of the city.

BETA BETA—RANDOLPH-MACON WOMAN'S COLLEGE

It is just a month since our first mid-year pledge day when we pledged six girls, Gertrude Ross and Ruth Barnes of Alabama, Elizabeth Fessenden of New York, Alice Joy MacDonald of Michigan, Frances Barnitz of Virginia, and Helen Shamberger of Tennessee. Of course we could never express all of our enthusiasm over these new girls—Thetas-to-be. They have already shown their spirit by organizing a Pledge club and have made a gift to the chapter house.

It seems very strange to us at Randolph-Macon to feel that we are to have an entire three months without any rushing when we are so accustomed to a whole year of the most strenuous hard work—for rushing as we have known it is certainly hard work.

Our enthusiasm has hardly had time to die down since our annual banquet, March 29, as we still have most of our visitors. Although we did not have as many of our alumnae back as we wished for, we were delighted at having those who could come. The fact that we did not have our banquet last year made this one doubly successful.

As Randolph-Macon has pledged ten thousand dollars as a Service fund we have been very busy trying to make up the deficiency after the voluntary donations. There have been innumerable entertainments given as benefits and a great many of the girls have been serving in the dining halls in order to give the money to the fund. We have also been very interested in a series of lectures being given upon the subject of vocations for women. Our college has felt the need of these lectures so much, as we are so far away from the centers of work and have so much fewer opportunities to learn of such openings than one does at a university. Another field of interest to us is the child labor campaign, in which we have been endeavoring to arouse interest upon the subject and to solicit aid for the factory children here in Lynchburg and even outside. A number of the girls have been going to mills and giving lessons on various subjects and doing playground work also.

Since the Christmas holidays we have had very little to break the monotony of the regular college work. We were quarantined after the holidays simply as a precaution and since we have been jogging along at the regular rate. Recently as a reward for our labor and good behavior it seemed, we have had the good fortune to hear both Mable Garrison and Frieda Hampole at the Lynchburg Opera house.

As a whole, however, I think the year has been a strenuous one for everybody. The very unrest of our country seems to have affected the college. It is with the greatest feeling of relief that we are all looking forward to a final completion of this year's work and then—convention.

30 March 1919

Eunice Wilson

BETA GAMMA—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Beta Gamma's big problems this year are to find a new home and to keep the scholarship cup, which we won last year.

Last fall our house was sold. It has been our home for our two years as Thetas and five years when we were a local fraternity. Desirable houses are hard to find.

It is a custom of our chapter to have guests for Sunday evening tea. These guests may be members of the faculty, college students or friend of any of the girls. We find this an enjoyable way to entertain informally and to become better acquainted with our college associates.

The Katsup, each year, always marks a great event in the life of the pledge. Perhaps it might interest other chapters to know something of what eight of our pledges did this year. First we all had dinner together, our junior pledges serving. The table was decorated very prettily in black and gold ribbons. The place cards and programmes were yellow and black bottles made to represent one of Heinz fifty-seven varieties.

After dinner we all gathered in the living-room to watch the performance staged in the hall. The program consisted of take offs on the various organizations on the campus, such as Glee club, Dramatic club, Live stock club and Young Women's Christian association. The Live stock club was a surprise to us, for here we saw our pledges as a monkey, bear, a worm, an elephant, a one legged stork and a donkey. Gertrude was a green and yellow worm and enjoyed crawling on the floor. All the stunts were exceedingly clever and we were glad to find that we had so much talent among our pledges.

22 February 1919

Mary E. Parks

Feb. 8, Beta Gamma entertained at a reception in honor of their house mother, Mrs. Ackley.

Miss Agnes Clancy was the guest of her sister the week end of Feb. 7.

Margaret Bullen has moved to the chapter house.

Mrs Finger and Mrs Walters were guests of the chapter Feb. 19.

Gladys Farr, Marion Brink and Alice Moore Sawyer, of Greeley visited us Feb. 18.

Mr and Mrs Waldo Kidder (Florence Crane) were guests at the chapter house.

Katherine Bittner, II B Φ , and Marguerite Peyton of the University of Colorado were recent week end house guests.

BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

The first semester of a very upset year has just closed. The campus once more has resumed its pre-war aspect but we find that we rather miss hearing the martial bugle note, and seeing the long lines of khaki clad men marching to class, notebooks under arm.

At the end of a rushing season of two weeks at the beginning of the semester in January, we pledged Jennie Mae Elliott, Jean Wright, Mari Sasek, and Katherine Harrar.

February 8, initiation was held at the home of Dorothy Heighton for Bertha Renaud, Susan Sweeney, Christine Sweeney, Ellen Boulton

and Marie Harvey Powellson '17, one of our local Gamma Phi Sigmas. Dorothy Bishop, who was ill at this time, was initiated March 3.

Beta Delta feels that she has been well represented in college activities this year. All but two of the girls in the House of representatives, the legislative body of the Student body, are Thetas. Bertha Renaud, Susan Sweeney, and Christine Sweeney are members of the Girls' glee club quartet and Thetas, also, are taking an active part in the work of the Young Women's Christian association.

Mrs Tannyhill, Grand president of Pi Beta Phi, visited the campus from February 28 to March 3. Her talk to the Panhellenic association was the source of much helpful, constructive criticism. Alpha Sigma (local), and Kappa Alpha Theta entertained at a tea in her honor.

Our pledges covered themselves with glory and filled their older sisters with pardonable pride by a most enjoyable house dance with which they entertained the chapter girls, March 7, at the Brannen home.

30 March 1919

Ellen Boullon

Mary McDermott '20-ex and James S. Maffeo, K Σ, were married in March. They will make their home in Bisbee.

Nydia Acker '17 visited us in Mar.

Marie Harvey '17 and Lieut Val. Powellson were married in Feb.

Jessie Rea '19 announces her engagement to Guy Monthan.

Duella Hackett '20 announces her engagement to Horace Hield, Σ N.

Dorothy Brannen '20-ex announces her engagement to Capt Harry Exall, Φ Δ Θ.

Josephine Waters Brown '17, one of our petitioning group of Gamma Phi Sigma, was initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta by Alpha Eta chapter in Feb.

Inez Rolf '15, another one of our petitioning group of Gamma Phi Sigma, was initiated in Feb. by Alpha Delta.

BETA EPSILON—OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Beta Epsilon has had various and many housemothers this semester, due to the fact that our regular housemother, Miss Bassett, has been on an extended visit in the east. Mothers and sisters of the girls in the house have been acting in her absence and we have all enjoyed their visits with us very much. We will be glad to welcome Miss Bassett back April 1.

We were glad to have Ruth Kelly and Ruth Livingood with us at initiation, February 28. Those initiated were: Caroline Wright, Janet Dawson, and Alma Sharpf.

On the afternoon of February 18, we held pledge service, welcoming to our cicle Ruth Nickelson and Dorothy Pernot.

At the close of this quarter, the girls of the Home economics department gave a Home economics exhibit, in which many of our girls took active part. The entire exhibit was classed into three main groups: the household arts, household science, and household administration of which Marie Mendenhall had charge.

We are all eagerly anticipating Junior week-end, which will take place May 2-4. Big plans are being made to make the occasion the best ever. The main events will be the Junior vaudeville, the bag rush, freshman and sophomore tug of war, the interscholastic track meet, women's stunt show, and crowning all, the big Junior Prom. Two of our girls, Hazel Strief and Esther Shea, are on the committee for formulating plans for Junior week-end.

The girls were all very glad to have Carolyn Dick Booth visit us on the week-end of March 1.

Grace E. Smith was elected treasurer of the Home economics club upon the resignation of the present treasurer. She was elected to hold the same office for next year.

25 March 1919

Alma E. Sharpf

'18 Faye Armstrong is doing playground work in Portland, Ore.

Eva Kelly is at Camp Lewis, Wash. doing hospital reconstruction work.

CLEVELAND ALUMNÆ

Cleveland alumnæ began the year very enjoyably and very enthusiastically with a meeting at the home of Mrs Harris, enjoyable because it seemed to be a "getting together party" of so many Thetas who had not seen each other for many months, and enthusiastically because we had seven new members to add to our membership of fifteen. Many were the plans which we made for the winter months but before we managed another meeting the flu "got us." This suspended our meetings until after Christmas.

However there were two of our plans which we were able to carry out irrespective of the ban. The one was the Panhellenic luncheon held at the Young Women's Christian association in December. The most important feature of this meeting of the Greeks was the arranging for the continuation of a scholarship for a senior in Woman's college. Our Red Cross work was the other activity which was not disturbed greatly by the flu. It too was a Panhellenic affair. Each Friday we held open house at the Young Women's Christian association for all Greek letter women who could come (if but for an hour) to sew for the French orphans. Some of our members were very faithful in attendance and we are proud of what they accomplished.

The rest of the year has a musicale and a garden party in store for us, so we are hoping to close the year as enthusiastically as we opened it.

CINCINNATI ALUMNÆ

The Cincinnati alumnæ chapter held its meetings on the second Saturday of the month in the afternoon at the homes of members. We were unable to hold meetings during October and November, owing to the ban on gatherings during the influenza epidemic. There usually were about fifteen or twenty members at the meetings.

Founders'-day was celebrated by a banquet, at the Cincinnati business men's club, which was given by the alumnæ and college chapters

together. This was attended by 35 alumnae. The college chapter held both their pledge and initiation services at the homes of alumnae—the pledge service with Mary and Anna Cellarius and the initiation with Mrs Burris. The alumnae assisted on both of these occasions.

At the February meeting, we started a wool quilt which we hope to finish in one or two more meetings. This will be given to the Cincinnati committee on relief for devastated France.

The March meeting was in the nature of a joint meeting with the college chapter. Hazel Cairns invited us to her home for lunch and then the actives came out in the afternoon. At this meeting we decided to take \$25.00 out of our alumnae treasury and send it to the Kappa Alpha Theta reconstruction fund. As the college chapter has a French orphan, we are going to pack a box for her at the April meeting.

We have had to make two changes in our officers. As our president, Margaret Rucker Shannon has moved to Monroe, Louisiana, we elected June Bancroft Rendigs to take her place. Nina Porter is now working in Washington so Marie Crowe was elected to the office of corresponding secretary.

Although the alumnae chapter has not been as active this year as some years, I feel that it has been due to unusual circumstances rather than a lack of interest.

Mary E. Cellarius

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNÆ

In spite of the influenza and the general unrest, Indianapolis alumnae has had a very successful year under the lead of Mrs Ostrom. Because of the ban on all public gatherings, our October meeting was abandoned but this only seemed to stimulate the interest in the meeting November 9 at the home of Mrs Greenough. At this meeting we had two inspiring talks: one by Mrs Holmon, a native of France, who has been untiring in her work for the French orphans, and one by Mrs E. J. Robison, who told of the furlough houses in France which the General federation of women's clubs is establishing. Since our chapter is affiliated with that organization, each member contributed her dollar to this splendid cause.

Our next meeting was the annual Christmas party at Virginia Kingsbury's where we had as our guests the Theta children whose happy little faces made the darkest sort of a day seem bright and sunshiny. The entertainment was a program of Riley songs sung by Mr Fritz Krull, who has set so many of Riley's poems to music, and stories for the children told by Miss Cornelia Bell. The favor for each tiny guest was a bright red stocking filled with candy, and it was hard to tell who enjoyed the party more the guests or the hostesses.

For the Thetas, the New Year opened gloriously with a beautifully appointed Founders'-day luncheon in the Riley room of the Claypool

hotel. The guests were seated at small tables, on each one of which was a pert little Kewpie dressed in a bow of black and gold ribbons and a picture hat in Theta colors. Tied to the Kewpie's arms were the ribbons stretching to the gold nut cups at each corner. At the speakers' table with Mrs Ostrom, the toastmistress, were seated Miss Mary Ashby, the Grand vice-president, whom we are proud to claim as a member of our chapter, Miss Grace Philputt, District president, another honored member, and Mrs Samuel Ashby, a charter member of Indianapolis alumnae, all of whom responded with interesting toasts. To make it truly a Theta luncheon, there were the good old songs which we all have, sung between courses, and the Theta prayer as a benediction.

Our last meeting was at the home of Mrs Charles W. Jewett and that day our guests were the active Gamma chapter. We were entertained by a clever stunt written by Maurine Watkins, one of the pledges, and performed by the rest of the freshmen. This stunt was a valentine shop in which the various fraternities were represented as valentines being shown by the shop-keeper to a young gentleman customer whose lady-love had spurned him. In his attempt to find a beautiful enough valentine to regain her affection, he finds the Theta valentine to be the only one and so the ardent suitor purchases it and finds it to be none other than his lost sweetheart. As a closing feature of this little musical comedy, the actresses showered Theta hearts on the audience, which was enthusiastic in its praise of this most fascinating stunt.

Mary Louise Rumpler

Gail Barr is keeping house for her brother Kenneth in Albuquerque, N. M.

Mrs Russell Bosart (Helen Reed) is with her parents in Indianapolis while her husband, who has been in military service, is finishing his course at Purdue. Capt and Mrs Scott Brewer (Eda Boos) are now at home in Indianapolis, Captain Brewer having received his discharge.

Mr and Mrs Oscar Carlstedt (Anna Junge) are at home in Irvington, Mr Carlstedt having just returned from military service in France.

Charlotte Galpin has charge of the girls' work for the War camp community service in Indianapolis.

Mrs F. E. Glass (Bernice Hall) spent some time recently with Mary Cellarius, A T, and Areta Covey, Δ.

Mary Ashby has returned from Washington where she was engaged in government work and is now with the Fletcher savings and trust company.

The alumnae chapter suffered a very great loss in the death, from influenza, of Mrs Francis Hamilton (Lera Crane), one of our most enthusiastic members.

Edna Lee Hind is again an active in Beta.

Mrs Ralph M. Prouty (Frances Keith) has gone to Chicago to meet her husband, who has been in military service.

Miss Charlotte Lesh has gone for an extensive trip through the East and will be in New York to meet her brother when he returns from France with the Rainbow Division.

Mrs Philip C. Lewis (Katherine Jameson) is with her parents while Lieut Lewis is overseas. She is teaching in Shortridge high school. Miss Helen Fields, Alpha Eta, visited Mrs Lewis during the week end of the Theta luncheon.

Mildred and Eileen Morgan are spending the winter in California. Grace Philputt is teaching in Indiana university this year.

Helen Andrews is doing social service work in connection with Indiana university. She is working with Miss Edna Henry.

Mrs James Thomson (Nancy Conwell) is devoting two days each week to teaching the wounded soldiers in the Fort Benjamin Harrison hospital.

Irma Weyerbacher is the head of the English department in the Greenfield high school.

Mary Zoercher holds a civil service position under the Railway mail service in Indianapolis.

NORMAN-OKLAHOMA CITY ALUMNÆ

Nine chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta are represented in our alumnæ chapter, which has been increased this year by the addition of Frances DeuPree, Alpha Phi, who is a sister of Nannolene DeuPree Haseman (Mrs J. D.) of Alpha Omicron, Evaline Atwood Kilpatrick (Mrs John), Ernestine Dodd, Alma Hodges, Gladys Drennan, Ruth and Grace Williams, who have returned to Oklahoma City to live.

We meet on the third Saturday of each month at the homes of our members, and our meetings are largely social, since most of us are from Alpha Omicron chapter and our interest centers in the affairs of that chapter. Just now we are most interested in plans for building a chapter house in Norman, and are glad to have something definite to work for which will bring the active and alumnæ chapters closer together. We are also much interested at present in the petitioning group at the Oklahoma A. and M. college, especially since they have an alumnæ club of ten members in Oklahoma City, who would be quite an addition to our alumnæ chapter of thirty.

For the first time, we have taken up some work outside the fraternity, and gave thirty dollars this month to the Oklahoma society for the prevention of tuberculosis, at the suggestion of Mrs E. K. Gaylord who is interested in the work.

Kappa Alpha Theta is well represented in the Oklahoma City Panhellenic which was reorganized last fall. During the visit in Oklahoma City, of Miss Green, Miss Ashby and Mrs Tom Lowry we called a Panhellenic meeting preceding our alumnæ meeting, when we were glad to have the other fraternity women of Oklahoma City meet our Grand officers and hear them tell of Panhellenic work in other cities.

Now we are making plans for attending convention this summer and expect to have our alumnæ chapter well represented, since the convention is to be held so near Oklahoma this year. Grace Williams has been elected as our delegate.

3 April 1919

Grace Williams

Time, July 3-7. Place, Washington university.

OMAHA ALUMNÆ

The Omaha alumnae chapter has resumed its meetings after a long period of inactivity due to the influenza epidemic. We are now holding our meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at the homes of the different members.

Our members are mostly from Rho and on March 15 six of us went to Lincoln, to attend the initiation and banquet of Rho. We all enjoyed going back so much, both to see our old friends and to meet the new girls who had just become Thetas.

In February we gave a luncheon at the athletic club for Alice McCullough Owen, who has left to make her home in California. It seems so good to be able to indulge in a luncheon once more, now that this wonderful peace has come.

We are so glad to have Rachel Metcalfe from Alpha Iota with us this year. From Rachel's reports, St. Louis is a lovely place for convention and from what she says I am sure that all who go will have a wonderful time. Loa Howard is also planning to attend convention.

29 March 1919

Erma Jones

Grace Rohrbough Bonekemper and small son, Robert, have been spending the winter with her parents. Thetas extend their sympathy to Mrs Bonekemper who lost her husband during the influenza epidemic.

Thetas also extend sympathy to Louise Bedwell Holland, Mary Bedwell McNowen and Charlotte Bedwell who lost their father in Jan.

'14 Born to Mr and Mrs Alfred Burr (Geraldine Gray) of Omaha, a son.

'13 Born to Mr and Mrs Harold Noble (Ruth Lindley) of Kansas City, in Jan. a son.

'13 Born to Mr and Mrs Samuel Reynolds (Louise Northrup) a daughter, in Dec.

'16 Marguerite Marshall has been spending the winter in Corpus Christi, Tex.

PORTLAND ALUMNÆ

"C'est la guerre!" I guess we can't blame the war any more for our shortcomings, since that eventful day in November. So, instead we'll have to blame the flu epidemic. And that is no make-shift excuse either, for Portland suffered severely from it, and for weeks, even months, all churches and theaters were closed and meetings of all kinds were prohibited. As a consequence Kappa Alpha Theta has had but two meetings since last November.

However, our war work has been going on just the same, and Thetas have made a name for themselves by their splendid work both in the War camp community service and the National league of defense. Mrs Otto Grice, Alpha Sigma, has had charge of the dances given by the War camp community service, and once a month the Theta detachment has entertained the soldiers and sailors from the nearby camps with a jolly party. Every Tuesday during the past summer Portland Thetas headed by Mrs Mary Thomas, Phi, took charge of the Kanning kitchen, run under the auspices of the National league of defense. The purpose of the kitchen was two-fold, first to provide fruit for the

military and naval hospitals in the northwest, and second to conserve the surplus fruit which otherwise would have rotted on the trees. Over 13,000 quarts of fruit were sent to the various hospitals, and we can honestly say that credit for a large share of that amount belongs to Theta, for not once did we fail to provide the number of workers needed. Moreover, Theta was the only group that stuck by it until the end, with the number of assistants asked for. Mrs Carl Whitmore, our secretary, served the Kanning kitchen in the same capacity, and twice a week found her at her post.

We have had the pleasure of welcoming Thetas from other chapters, both college and alumnæ, during the past year and we hope that in the future all Thetas who come to Portland, if for only a few days, will let us know.

PROVIDENCE ALUMNÆ

'04 Flora M. Cotton took the rôle of Patty in Barrie's *Quality street* given by the Brown alumnæ association, Mar. 28-29, for the benefit of the new dormitory fund of the Women's college in Brown university.

'06 Laura R. Sherman was chairman of the committee on stage setting and the following Thetas were represented on the play publicity committee: Adelaide H. Arnold '98; Ethel G. Westcott '00; Millicent L. Snow '02; Agnes Jonas '09; Ottilie M. Taber '13 and Eleanor S. Upton, Sp.

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